WEATHER FORECAST
Partly cloudy tonight. Thursday cloudy and somewhat colder.

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Merry Christmas

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GETTYSBURG AND COUNTY READY TO MARK HOLIDAY IN CHURCH, HOME

The flurry of last-minute preparations marked today as Adams County joined the remainder of the Christian world in anticipation of the feast of the Nativity.

And the crush of final activities, the last-second gifts, the final touches to the Christmas trees, the glad bustle that marks the end of several weeks of preparation for the material side of the Christmas celebration will give way tonight to the peace of Christian worship of the new-born King.

The flood of people rushing to stores for the final needs for the holiday—the extra decorations, the extra tree light bulbs and the final toys and gifts, will ebb about 6 o'clock this evening when most stores will close to permit the clerks and owners to join their families in preparation for the Christmas observance.

Story To Be Re-told

Those on the streets from then until midnight wil' be chiefly persons headed to or from church, Christmas carolers singing the gladness of the Christmas season, and individuals or couples going to homes of friends to wish them the season's greetings.

The story of the birth of a Child in a stable at Bethlehem will be told a thousand times. Silently, by tiny creches under Christmas trees in hundreds of homes; in pageant form by Sunday School classes in many churches; as plays on radio programs; in the Christmas gospels as read in churches throughout the county, and musically in the carols as part of the church services and to be sung by carolers going through the streets and on the air.

The "glad tidings of great joy" will be told to men of good will in many churches throughout the county tonight.

Midnight Services

Catholics throughout the county will begin filling their churches at Gettysburg, Bonneauville, Fairfield, Littlestown, New Oxford and McSherrystown, starting about 11 o'clock, in anticipation of the great numbers that throng the churches for the traditional midnight masses. The choirs will start Christmas carols at about 11:30 o'clock in the churches to help set the mood for the first mass of Christmas day that will follow at 12:01 o'clock. In the Catholic churches masses will be held as well later Christmas morning, with one mass set aside, in most of the churches, for the children, with the children's choirs singing the traditional music. At St. Francis Xavier Catholic here masses Christmas morning will be at 7, 8, 9 and 10:30 o'clock in addition to the midnight mass.

Candlelight services will be held in many Protestant Churches tonight, starting, for the most part at about 11 o'clock.

Among the local churches scheduled to have Candlelight services at 11 o'clock tonight are the Memorial Evangelical United Brethren, St. James Lutheran and Christ Lutheran.

Many Protestant Services

Prince of Peace Episcopal will hold its Christmas service and Holy Communion at 11:30 o'clock, to be followed by a Holy Communion service again at 10 o'clock Christmas morning.

At Trinity Evangelical Reformed here a prelude to the service of the Feast of the Nativity is scheduled to start at 11 o'clock tonight with the service to start at 12 midnight.

Trinity Lutheran, Arendtsville, will hold its candlelight service at 10:30 o'clock tonight.

St. Paul's Lutheran, Littlestown,

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DIES ON 57TH WEDDING DAY

Mrs. Susan A. King Albert, 82, died this morning at 3 o'clock at her home, Abbottstown R. 1. This was the 57th anniversary of her wedding day.

Mrs. Albert, wife of Charles W. Albert, had been ill for three years and was bedfast for eight weeks. She was a native of York County and a daughter of the late Israel and Maria (Baublitz) King. She had lived at her late home for the last 45 years.

Her husband and a number of nieces and nephews are the only survivors.

Mrs. Albert was a member of Emmanuel Reformed Church at Abbottstown. She also was a member of the Adult Bible Class, the Women's Guild and the Ladies' Aid Societies of the church.

Funeral services Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Emmanuel Reformed Church with the Rev. Archie C. Rohrbaugh officiating. Interment in Mt. Olivet Cemetery at Abbottstown.

Friends may call Friday evening after 7 o'clock at the Fred F. Feiser Funeral Home in New Oxford. The body will lie in state in the church Saturday from 1 p.m. until the hour of the funeral.

Inquest January 12 In York Springs Crash

Dr. C. G. Crist, Adams County coroner, announced Tuesday he will hold an inquest at the court house on Monday, January 12, at 4 o'clock into the death of Harry M. Bacon, Savannah, Ga., truck driver, who was killed instantly in a crash at the York Springs intersection about 6 o'clock the morning of November 6.

Bacon was smashed in the cab of his vehicle when it was struck by another tractor-trailer. The other machine was driven by Wesley Hoisington, Detroit, for the Interstate Motor Freight Company of Detroit.

SHEADS HOME AT FAIRFIELD WINS 1ST PRIZE

First prize in the Fairfield Christmas lighting and decorating contest was awarded Tuesday night to the home of C. Leroy Sheads, and in the business classification to Newman's Market. Both prizes were $10.

In the home lighting contest, other prizes were awarded as follows: Second, $7, John Diehl; third, $5, Girl Scout House; fourth, $3, John Fehringer; fifth, $3, Ignatius Angelo; sixth, $2, Robert Newman.

Honorable mention was made of the homes of the Rev. Mark Michael and Thomas Newman.

Shultz's Market won honorable mention for business places.

The judges were members of the York Springs Lions Club. The contest was sponsored by the Fairfield Lions Club.

Fairfield Lions distributed Christmas treats to the pupils of the Fairfield school, Fairfield Joint High School and the Orrtanna school Tuesday afternoon, and left gifts for the pre-school children at their homes. The gifts were candy and oranges.

MRS. WIERMAN EXPIRES AT 74

Mrs. Madora A. Wierman, 74, 206 York St., died at 6:35 o'clock this morning at the Warner Hospital of complications. She had been admitted as a patient on Friday. She suffered a stroke about a year ago and had been in failing health for some time.

Mrs. Wierman was born in Adams County, a daughter of the late Emmanuel and Maria C. Shriver Weikert, and had lived in Gettysburg for the last 55 years. Her husband, J. Clifford Weirman, died 27 years ago.

She was a member of St. James Lutheran Church. Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Earl Myers, and one granddaughter, Miss Mary Wierman Heintzelman, both at home; one brother, Edward Wiekert, Two Taverns, and two sisters, Mrs. Rose King, Gettysburg R. D., and Mrs. Edna Flemming, Harrisburg.

Funeral services from the late home, 206 York St., Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. Dr. Ralph R. Gresh officiating, and interment Evergreen Cemetery. Friends may call at the home Friday after 7 p.m.

Falls Off Bus And Fractures Pelvis

C. M. Hoon, 73, Carlisle, suffered fractures of the right pelvis bone when he fell from a bus at 4:55 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in Lincoln Square.

Borough police reported that Mr. Hoon, a one-legged man, was alighting from a Carlisle-Gettysburg bus owned by Paul W. Snyder, Carlisle, when he fell. He was removed to the Warner Hospital by ambulance and admitted as a patient there.

Christ, The Lord, Is Born Tonight



HOLIDAY MART BUSINESS BRISK THIS MORNING

Farmers reported a busy session at the Market House in Race Horse Alley this morning, with business particularly brisk between 6 and 6:30 a.m.

Many persons, they said, both men and women, did their Christmas "shopping" for foods for the holiday table Thursday before they went to work.

Many persons went to the market this morning to take delivery on turkeys or other fowl they had ordered for the Christmas dinner. Chickens, ducks and turkeys were in good supply for those who had failed to order ahead.

Mincemeat, Apples, Pumpkins

Tom turkeys, dressed, sold for 60 and 65 cents a pound, and hens for 65 and 70 cents a pound. Chickens and ducks were 60 cents a pound.

There was very little pork on the market. Some sausage was available at 60 and 65 cents a pound.

Other offerings included mincemeat, apple butter, potato salad, bread, cookies, cakes, cottage cheese, apples, pumpkins, squash, and Christmas greens, for those who had not already put up their holiday decorations.

GETS PROMOTION

Wayne R. Dellinger, whose wife, Irene, lives at New Oxford R. 2, has been promoted to sergeant, the Army has announced. He is serving in Korea with the 7th Infantry Division. He entered the Army in November, 1949, and has been in Korea since last January. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dellinger, Gettysburg R. 4.

List Masses For Paradise Church

Masses for the congregation of Paradise Catholic Church on Christmas will be offered both at the parish church and the Protectory chapel, according to announcement by the Rev. Francis L. Mignot, pastor and chaplain.

The first is the midnight mass at 12:01 a.m. at the parish church, offered by Father Mignot and sung by the Protectory choir. The second mass will be at the Protectory chapel at 7 a.m. and the last at 8:30 a.m. in the parish church.

All confessions will be heard in the Protectory chapel beginning Tuesday evening from 7 to 8 p.m., resuming Christmas Eve afternoon from 4 to 5 p.m. and then that evening from 7 to 8 p.m.

ORPHANS WILL RECEIVE GIFTS ON CHRISTMAS

You say there isn't any Santa Claus? You say that Christmas is for the well-to-do? That Christmas has been commercialized and that the old spirit of the observance of the Christmas festival is no more?

You are so wrong. And, come Christmas morning, the orphan boys at Paradise Protectory will be able to vociferously deny your cynical observations.

For on Thursday morning these boys at the Catholic home near Abbottstown are not going to be the forgotten youngsters of this Christmastide. They're going to be among the happiest youngsters whose eyes ever lighted at the sight of a Christmas tree or a toy.

And a Gettysburg businessman is the one whose Christmas thoughts for the less fortunate is making all this possible.

Planned Christmas Project

For several years Ernest Simpson, owner and operator of Simpson's Machine Shop, Fourth St., has been thinking along the line of what he has put into effect this Christmas. The thoughts were nebulous; he felt that he could and should do something at this glad season for others. Just who, remained the problem in his mind.

Then several months ago the Exchange Club of Gettysburg visited the Paradise Protectory. They had dinner there, and were shown around the buildings and farm. A few weeks later the Rev. Fr. Francis L. Mignot, in charge of the protectory, spoke at a meeting of the . Mr. Simpson is an Exchangite. The visit to the protectory and Fr. Mignot's talk impresed him.

"This is the place," he said, as the idea was born months ago to provide more Christmas for the protectory children. The project has been under way actively for about a month. The aid of other Exchange Club members was volunteered, along with other friends and acquaintances. Old toys were obtained.

Sells Scrap For Crash

Mr. Simpson and his employes went to work, giving many hours of their time. During the past year Mr. Simpson saved old brass bushing stock and scrap metal which he later sold. The money was used to buy

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HARNEY CHURCH XMAS PROGRAM THURSDAY NIGHT

A candlelight Christmas service will be presented Christmas Day at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Harney.

The program will include the following:

"A Welcome," Terry Reynolds: a welcome, Nancy Bowers; "Ring Bells," Barbara Kiser; "I'm Not Very Big," Donald Yingling; Christmas Bell exercise, Kenneth Strickhouser, Connie Mummert, Larrie Welty, Susie Welty, Wayne Fissel, Ronald Welty, Sandra Wise, Darlene Shaffer; solo, Betty Fissel; "Tiny Little Candles," Dorene Haines; song by the choir.

"A List of Words," Hazel Shelton; "The True Christmas," Eddie Snair; "Away in The Manger," Primary Department; "The Guiding Light," Mary Jannett Bowers; "A Christmas Thought," LaVerne LeGore; "My Christmas Offering," Daniel Yingling; "Jesus' Other Cradle," Linda LeGore; trumpet solo, Lynn Kepner; "A Candle Song," Darlene Shaffer.

"The White Christmas," Robert Reifsnider, Richard Ridinger, John Shriver, Ricky Clingan, Laurence Trimmer, Robert Shaffer, Elmer Shilt, Samuel Bowers Stuart Dom, Bobbie Selby; solo, Linda Weikert; recitation, Pat Worley; "A Snow Bird," Sandra Yingling; "Ring the Bell," Susie Welty; prayer, Naomi Mae Marshall; duet, Darlene and Robert Shaffer; "What I Learned," Lois Ann LeGore; "Christmas Carolers," Sandra Wise.

"Ring and Chime," Ronald Ridinger and Lamar Wagman; song by the choir; "We Thank You," Claud Kleinfelter; "The Best Things," Thelma Ridinger; solo, "In a Bethlehem Manger," Wayne Fissel; "His Cradle," Richard Selby; "The Gift," Shirley Patterson and Audrey Yingling; "The Best Gift," Donna Dove; "Laugh and Smile," Susie Bowers; recitation, Ronald Welty; recitation, Linda Weikert.

A prayer, Elaine Bridinger; "Little Wishes," Kenneth and David Leister; "If You Want a Merry Christmas," Nancy Koontz; "Little Things," Lucille LeGore; "The Light of Christmas," Mary C. Reaver; Florence O. Reaver, Shirley Valentine, Shirley Patterson, Rebecca Reever, Mary J. Bowers, Hazel Shelton, Jannett Shelton, Patsey Eckenrode, Naomi Mae Marshall; "A Jolly Christmas," Donald Koontz; "A Christmas Quiz," led by Patsey Eckenrode; "The Bells," Louella LeGore; "The Christmas Star," Laura Dom; song by the choir; remarks by the superintendent; offering and remarks by the pastor, the Rev. Charles E. Held.

INJURED IN CRASH

Richard Z. Shirley, 18, York Springs R. 1, suffered contusions of the head and possible chest injuries Monday night when his automobile struck a culvert and hit a utility pole on the Harrisburg Rd. two miles south of Dillsburg, state police of the Gettysburg substation reported today. Shirley was taken to the Carlisle Hospital. Damage to his car was estimated at $500.

Robert J. Apgar, Aged 16 Days, Dies Tuesday

Robert J. Apgar, aged 16 days, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren R. Apgar Sr., Gettysburg R. 1, died in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. from complications.

The child was born in the Warner Hospital here December 7 and at the age of six days was transferred to the Baltimore hospital where it submitted to an operation last Friday.

Surviving besides the parents are a brother, Warren R. Apgar Jr., at home; the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Apgar, Gettysburg R. 1, and the great-grandmothers, Mrs. Edward Whingam, Belvedere, N. J., and Mrs. Carrie Apgar, Gettysburg R. 1.

Interment was made at 1 o'clock today in Clinton Cemetery, Irvington, N. J., by the Peters Funeral Home.

Military Services For World War Vet

Graveside military services will be held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the Gettysburg National Cemetery for a Harrisburg veteran of World War 1, Oliver S. Crone, 59, who died in Harrisburg Saturday.

He was a corporal in Co. A, 103rd Supply Train, 28th Division. The Albert J. Lentz Post 202, American Legion, will furnish the pallbearers, and the firing squad will be from Gettysburg Post 15, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Catholic War Vets Elect Edward Smith

Edward Smith was elected president of the Catholic War Veterans Home Association at a meeting of the group held Monday evening at Bonneauville.

Named as vice president was Francis Clabaugh. Other officers elected included Eugene Weishaar, treasurer; Joseph Clabaugh, secretary, and Ray Weishaar, Paul Myers and Norman Smith, trustees.

Thirty-five attended the meeting. Elected as new members were James Clabaugh and Alfred Smith. A buffet lunch was served by CWV Commander Paul Myers following the meeting.

Holy Communion At Episcopal Church

Two special Holy Communion services will be held at the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church tonight and Christmas morning, according to announcement by the Rev. Martin H. Knutsen, pastor.

Tonight at 11:30 o'clock a candlelight Holy Communion service will be held and will feature Christmas music. Holy Communion will also be held Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

INSTITUTIONS TO SERVE TURKEY ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Residents of the Adams County Home, patients and nurses at the Warner Hospital and prisoners at the Adams County Jail will have Christmas dinners served to them Thursday.

At all three of these institutions there will be turkey, "and all the trimmings," including filling, mashed potatoes and gravy, cranberry sauce, celery and olives, cake, ice cream and coffee or tea.

Four decorated Christmas trees adorn the floors at the Warner Hospital, and there is another tree in the Nurses' Home.

Residents of the County Home already had most of their Christmas "treats," brought to them by numerous organizations and individuals and the County Home Auxiliary, and the Christmas dinner will be the gastronomical climax of the holiday season.

The Christmas dinner will also be a special one for the 70 inmates of the jail.

Children in foster homes, institutions or with relatives other than parents, under the guidance of the Adams County Child Welfare, will receive numerous gifts this year, arranged by the service's advisory board.

Lists of these children were prepared and members of the Advisory Committee obtained gifts and cash contributions through Sunday Schools, the Soroptimist Club and other organizations and individuals. The cash was used to buy presents.

YORK STREET BANK DECLARES TWO DIVIDENDS

The Gettysburg National Bank will pay a semi-annual regular dividend of four percent and an extra dividend of two percent, according to action taken by the board of directors at a regular weekly meeting Tuesday morning.

Coupled with the four percent regular dividend declared in June, this brings to a total of 10 percent the amount of dividends declared for the year.

Other action taken by the board included the approval of the transfer of $50,000 from the undivided profits account to the surplus account.

C. A. Wills, president of the bank, announced that during the past year the bank paid interest on savings accounts of over $110,000 and paid out on Christmas Savings an additional $114,000.

A bonus has been paid to the employes of over $6,200 and over $7,300 has been placed in the Employes Retirement Fund.

A lighted Christmas tree in the main lobby was the gathering place of the bank's employes at a Yuletide party Tuesday afternoon. Carols were sung, games played and refreshments served. Gifts were exchanged by using the names of "comic strip couples." Walter A. Keeney, executive vice-president, and John Hewitt, cashier, presented a box of candy to each employe.

TO CLOSE 3 DAYS

The local Draft Board announced today that its office in the First National Bank building will be closed Christmas Day, Frida, and Saturday. It will re-open Monday.

CHAPLAIN KORTE WILL SPEAK AT ANNUAL SERVICE

The Christmas Eve service at Christ Lutheran Church tonight will open at 11 o'clock with an instrumental prelude, "Silent Night," by Donald Bollinger, trombonist, followed by the hymn, "Christians Awake," and the responsive reading, led by the Rev. Reginald W. Dietz.

Following the Gloria Patri, the congregation will join in the hymn "Angels from the Realms of Glory," the Scripture reading, "The Promise," from Isaiah 9:2-7 and a solo by Donald Bollinger, "They That Walk in Darkness," by Handel.

The Scripture reading, "The Place," from Micah 5:2-4, will be followed by a solo by Mrs. Margaret P. Deitz, "A Star Was His Candle," by Del Riego. The Scripture reading, "The Glorious Morn," will be taken from Luke 2:1-4, and "The Promise for Us" from Galatians 4:4-7. Mary Louise Spangler will sing as a solo "Lullaby."

John Allan will present a solo, "Adore and Be Still," by Gounod. The Rev. Edwerth Korte, Gettysburg College chaplain, will be in charge of the meditation, "Fresh Straw." The offering and organ music, "Pastorale," by Lacey, will be followed by an anthem and the Christmas prayer by Rev. Deitz.

The service will close with the hymn "Silent Night," the benediction, silent prayer and the postlude, "Fantasie," by Diggle.

Santa Claus Is On His Way But He Had Trouble With His Sleigh

By HAL BOYLE

NORTH POLE (AP)—Well, children, you can go to bed now. Santa Claus is on his way to your house. He has your address in his pocket.

He and his eight reindeer took off from a snowy runway just at twilight. And right this minute they are zooming through the skies with your Christmas presents—faster... faster . . . and faster.

But of course he can't come down your chimney until you are sound asleep.

Lots Of Excitement

There was a lot of excitement at the North Pole this morning I can tell you. Here's what happened:

"Hold still, you little reindeer," said Mrs. Santa. "Why don't you act more like a Christmas tree? You don't see a Christmas tree jumping around wile it is being decorated, do you?"

A hundred little elves then tied a rope to Santa Claus' big red sleigh and hauled it from the hangar. A hundred other elves began piling the sleigh full of presents for all the boys and girls in the whole world.

Sleigh Broken Down

"I never saw so many presents," said Santa, shaking his head. "More children every year. I don't know whether my old sled will hold them all this year."

And then it happened—yes, right at that moment. Cre-e-e-ek, cr-a-a-a-a-ck! One runner broke, and the big sleigh sagged to one side, spilling Christmas gifts into the snow.

"Oh, dear! Oh, dear!" said Santa Claus, "What a time for my sleigh to break down. What will I do now?"

Uncle Sam To Rescue

"It certainly would be terrible if all the children in the world woke up tomorrow and found you hadn't been able to bring them their presents," agreed Mrs. Santa.

Just then a big weather observation plane from the U. S. Air Force flew over. It circled and landed on Santa Claus's private runway, and the pilot stepped out, and saluted.

"Are you in any trouble, sir?" he asked.

Santa pointed at the broken runner on his big sleigh.

The Air Force pilot looked at it and smiled.

Offered A Bomber

"Oh, that isn't such a disaster, sir," he said. "Why don't you let us lend you a modern jet bomber, and you can deliver your presents in it. After all, that sleigh is rather old-fashioned, and your reindeer are probably getting old and slow and could use a rest this year."

Santa hesitated. He walked over and patted each reindeer on its muzzle.

"What do you think?" he asked. "Do you want to stay home and rest this year?"

Turns Down Bomber

The reindeer shook their heads, and big tears rolled out of their brown eyes. They loved their job of pulling the big old-fashioned sleigh through the skies each Christmas. They looked forward to the trip all year long.

"No thank you, I don't want

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In The "Eerie Stillness" Of Christmas Morning Will Larry Play His Flute On The Mount?

Christmas is a time of nostalgic memories . . . a time for telling stories to starry-eyed children . . . a time for losing oneself in the legends of the long, long years.

Emmitsburg (almost a legend, itself) has one that comes to life each year and is as real to the people who live in the foothills of the blue, mountains as the soft white snowflakes against their faces or the scent of the Christmas spruce or the jolly sound of "Merry Christmas." The grown-ups believed it when they were children and when they grew up they told it to their children and so, on and on through the years, the tale of "Larry and His Flute" lives on.

It began way back when Larry was a little boy. He was born and grew up in the vicinity of Emmitsburg.. His father, Dr. Henry Casper Dielman, a native of Frankfort - on - the - Main, Germany, was a noted composer and musician in his native land almost a hundred years ago. He came to America in his early years and was appointed Professor of Music at Mount St. Mary's College about three miles south of the town, on a terraced slope of the Blue Ridge just where the land begins to level off into the valley where the village stands. Here Larry grew up!

Had Music In His Heart

There was music in his heart and in his feet for he himself once admitted that "he could dance on a dime." He could play almost any musical instrument a little and could sing after a fashion but the flute became the little boy's favorite.

As he grew into manhood, Larry decided to open a store in the neighborhood. It was a real "house by the side of the road" for here was the gathering place for young and old. There was the traditional sugar barrel, jars of rock candy, coffee beans which you had to take home and grind yourself, and the pot-bellied stove about which everyone sat weaving tales

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Merry Christmas

God grant this day of Christmas dawn on one honest man . . .

On one happy child, secure in the perfect idealism of the very young . . .

On one act of pure generosity, consecrated to the Christ whose birth we celebrate now . . .

On one word of peace, spoken in faith to still the clamorous horror of cannon, bomb, and bullet . . .

On one deed performed for love and not for gain . . .

On one leader who himself is not led astray in arrogance but humbly guides others in the paths of goodness and true progress . . .

On one follower who is willing to play his role not blindly but with the alert and critical wisdom which is the heritage of all people . . .

On one great human thought that will not be crushed and rent by the cynical, the hopeless, the greedy, and the ignorant.

God grant that some essence of these miracles be performed in all of us, and we shall see a Christmas that is like unto the first one the angels watched over.

Littlestown

ANNUAL SERVICE FOR LUTHERANS AT 11 TONIGHT

The annual Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church this evening at 11 o'clock. The service will be as follows: Organ prelude, by Mrs. Winfield A. Lippy, church organist; processional hymn, "O Come All Ye Faithful," by the choirs; congregational hymn, the choirs; congregational hymn, "Christians Awake"; selection, "Holy Is The Lord," by the Senior choir, under the direction of L. Robert Snyder; song, "Sing Noel," by the Intermediate choir, directed by Robert B. DeGroft; Christmas Scripture lesson, read by the pastor, the Rev. David S. Kammerer; selection, "Blow Ye Wind," the Senior choir; prayer, by the pastor; selections, "Silent Night," "O Come All Ye Faithful," the Intermediate choir; congregational hymn, "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear."

The Christmas meditation will be offered by the Rev. Mr. Kammerer. Selection, "There's A Song In The Air," the Senior choir; song, "Rise Up Early," the Intermediate choir. The service will conclude with the benediction to be pronounced by the pastor; recessional hymn, "Joy To The World" and organ postlude.

50 At Jaycee Party

Approximately 50 were in attendance at the annual Christmas party for the members of the Littlestown Junior Chamber of Commerce and their families, held on Friday evening in the POS of A Hall, East King St. The program consisted of three reels of Christmas film shown by L. Robert Snyder and a piano solo was played by Donna Rabenstine. Santa Claus arrived and presented gifts to each of the children. Refreshments were served to the group. Clinton O. Sentz was chairman of the committee on arrangements for the party. Robert H. Miller, president of the Jaycees announced that three new members have been received into the organization, Albert Bair, George Peart and Robert Reinaman.

Plans are being furthered for the 15th annual Christmas dance of the Littlestown High School Alumni Association to be held on Friday evening, January 2, from 10 to 1 o'clock at Basehoar's, North Queen St. Music will be provided by the Melo-tones of Hanover. Tickets are $2 per couple. Albert Bair is general chairman for the affair and other committees are as follows: Publicity and program, Richard Selby, chairman, Charles E. Tressler, and Barbara Harner; ticket committee, Mrs. Kay C. Sentz, Joseph P. Long, Mis Mary Lou Boyd, Richard Thomas, John E. Basehoar, Clarence L. Schwartz Jr., Mrs. Homer Wareheim, Robert B. DeGroft and Charles W. Weikert.

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will hold its service at 11 o'clock tonight as will Elias Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg, where the 25th annual candlelight service will be held at that time.

Some churches will hold services earlier in the evening. Redeemer's Reformed and St. Luke's Reformed at Littlestown are both scheduling services for 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Stores Had Busy Season

Flohr's Lutheran will hold its pageant and Christmas service at 7:30 o'clock tonight and the Arendtsville Evangelical Reformed Sunday School will present the Christmas story in pageant form at 7 o'clock tonight.

Christmas, which joins the joy of the spirit with the joy of material gifts, will be marked this year with probably the most elaborate Christmas gift giving in history. Stores report unusually large sales of gifts of all types for Santa to distribute on Christmas morning.

Christmas trees in thousands of homes throughout the county will range from tiny table-top models that grace the homes and apartments of many couples to large, elaborate displays that will include trees and grounds featuring trains, houses, moving machinery, cars and everything else the ingenuity of the builder can provide.

Fairfield Shoe Co. Dinner On Tuesday

Executives of the Fairfield Shoe Co. plants in Fairfield and Dillsburg, key personnel and representatives of the social club were tendered a Christmas dinner by the management Tuesday night at the Hotel Gettysburg, with approximately 100, including the wives, present.

Greetings on behalf of the management were extended by Theodore Franks, one of the owners of the company. Roger Myers responded on behalf of the social club and employes. Christmas carols were sung and there was dancing after the dinner.

Local Weather

Yesterday's high	42
Last night's low	34
Today at 8:30 a.m.	42
Today at noon	50

State Police Say

One must first be safe to be Merry. May we wish everyone a very, very SAFE and a very, very MERRY Christmas Holiday.

Social Happenings

Phone Gettysburg 1006, 640 or 725 — After 7 P. M., 751-Y

Lt. and Mrs. John C. Williams, Hillcrest Place, will spend part of the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence B. Swayne, Kennett Square, Pa. They will also spend several days with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bartels, Cleveland, O.

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Maj. and Mrs. Floyd H. McKeand Jr. entertained the AROTC faculty Monday evening at their residence on W. Middle St., at a Christmas party.

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Elizabeth Clapsaddle and Dolores Clapsaddle, Harrisburg, and Ethel Stephens, Washington, D. C., will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard E. Murray, Gettysburg R. 1, during the Christmas holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jan Rijsdijk and daughter, Erika, Mount Vernon, N. Y., are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Smith, W. Lincoln Ave., parents of Mrs. Rijsdijk.

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Prof. and Mrs. Lester O. Johnson and children, 309 N. Stratton St., will spend Christmas with Mrs. Johnson's aunts, Mrs. Ray Hoke and Mrs. Berd Livingston, both of York.

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Bill Williams, a student at Shepherd College, Shepherdtown, W. Va., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Williams, 35 Hanover St.

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Richard B. Thomas, Washington, D. C., will arrive today to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund W. Thomas, W. Lincoln Ave.

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Mrs. Ralph Irelan, Emmitsburg, and Mrs. Clyde Williams, Hanover St., spent Monday in Baltimore.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Debus and children, Jeff and Sandy, Highland Park, will spend several days during the Christmas season with relatives in River Edge, N. J.

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Miss Jackie Long, a student at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, is spending the Christmas vacation with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Deitch, Carlisle St. Miss Long was recently elected news editor of The Bucknellian, the college publication.

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Mr. and Mrs. George C. Young and son, Malcolm, Ardmore, are expected this evening at the home of Mrs. John D. Keith, Carlisle St., for the Christmas holidays.

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Pvt. Clair H. Shindledecker, Camp Pickett, Va., will spend Christmas Day at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Shindledecker, 217 W. Middle St.

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Al W. Meyer Jr., Joliet, Ill., will arrive in Gettysburg this evening to spend the Christmas holidays with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Sneeringer, Highland Park.

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John Schwartz, a student at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Philadelphia, is spending the Yuletide vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Schwartz, York St. Arriving this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz will be their daughter, Miss Lenore Schwartz, and Mr. and Mrs. Aymar E. Oakley Jr., Baltimore, and the Rev. and Mrs. James M. Singer, Altoona, who will spend the weekend here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Reynolds, Troxell Apartments, Baltimore St., will leave Gettysburg today to spend Christmas with their son, Walter A. Reynolds, and family, in Lancaster.

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Dr. and Mrs. Jose Humberto and children, Marie Victoria, Margarita and Jose Humberto, and Comdr. Jaime Eraso of the Colombian Navy, all of Philadelphia, are guests for the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. Guillermo Barriga and family, The McMillan Mouse, Confederate Ave. Dr. Humberto, who is doing graduate work in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, is from Bogoto, Columbia, as are the other guests.

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Miss Emma Rachel Scott, a student at Shippensburg State Teachers College, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Lester Scott, E. Middle St.

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A Yuletide program was presented by the Mothers Club of St. Francis Xavier's School at the organization's annual children's Christmas party Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the school. Mrs. Lawrence H. Eckert Jr., chairman of the affair, was assisted by a committee composed of the mothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus distributed gifts of candy and oranges to the children. The stage was decorated with pines and other holiday trimmings. Carols were sung by the children and Mrs. Paul L. Roy and Mrs. Bernard Frazer sang a duet, "With Glory Lit The Midnight Air." Both Mrs. Roy and Mrs. Frazer sang several solos. Christmas card scenes were portrayed on stage with "Jingle Bells" and the "Nativity" as the theme. Mrs. Richard S. Codori was the piano accompanist. The club presented gifts to the Sisters of Mercy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Deitch, Carlisle St., spent some time recently with Mrs. J. T. Fogle and the latter's sister, the Misses Bertha and Evelyn Hart, Lancaster.

Mrs. S. E. Swope, 233 N. Washington St., is spending the Christmas holidays with her son, Lawrence L. Swope and family, Lewistown.

Mr. Swope, who recently suffered a heart attack, is slowly improving. Mrs. S. E. Swope will observe her 78th birthday on Thursday.

RITES ON FRIDAY FOR MRS. MIRICK

Mrs. Blanche Swope Mirick, 78, last survivor of a family once well known here, will be brought to Evergreen Cemetery for burial Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Mirick died in her apartment in Washington, D. C., Monday evening after an illness of about a year.

She was the widow of Harry B. Mirick who died in 1909 and the daughter of Dr John A. Swope, who once was president of the Gettysburg National Bank and also was a former representative in Congress from this district. She spent most of her life in Washington where she was active in many charitable activies that included membership of the board of Columbia Hospital and the Episcopal Church Home there.

Funeral services will be held at St. Albins Episcopal Church, Wisconsin Ave., Washington, Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The body will be brought here for interment at 2 p.m.

The survivors include two sons, Henry Dustin Mirick, Ardmore, Pa., and Dr. George Swope Mirick, Baltimore.

SOLDIERS HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Two Adams County brothers, both in the service, will spend Christmas together this year for the first time in two years. They are Sgt. Alfred J. Miller and Pfc. Richard P. Miller, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Miller, Gettysburg R. 5.

Sgt. Miller arrived at the Harrisburg airport from Germany. He left Frankfurt December 15 aboard a Pan-American plane, arrived in New York City the following morning and boarded a Trans-World plane for Harrisburg.

He entered the service January 23, 1951, and was stationed at Camp Atterbury, Ind. for basic training. He then attended the 112th Non-Commissioned Officers Academy for a six-weeks' course in infantry tactics, small arms weapons, methods of instruction and leadership. He is weapon squad leader and troop information and education non-com for Co. C of the 112th Infantry Regiment. He participated in large scale maneuvers last fall with NATO troops. He left Camp Atterbury for duty overseas with Pennsylvania's 28th Division.

Pfc. Miller and his wife, the former Josephine Redding, arrived home for the Christmas holidays on a 15-day leave. He is stationed with the 216th Chemical Service Co., where he is taking a special course in photography. He has recently been assigned to the Atomic Energy Commission assisting with experiments in Mercury, Nev. He will return to the arsenal on January 29

Two Wills Are Filed For Probate

Wills of John E. Hartlaub, McSherrystown, and Albert W. Hartlaub, Mt. Pleasant Twp., have been entered for probate at the office of the county register and recorder.

Joseph A. Hartlaub, McSherrystown, is executor of the $1,250 John E. Hartlaub estate. John H. Hartlaub, Hanover R. 4, is executor of the $3,250 Albert Hartlaub estate. A bequest in the Albert Hartlaub will leaves $100 to the trustees of Mt. Carmel Cemetery Association of Littlestown.

Hospital Report

Admissions: Albert Lawver, College Campus; Mrs. Stanley Lipski, Arlington, Va.; Clyde Hoon, Worchester, O.; Mrs. Glenn Wolf, 518 York St.; Mrs. Carl McElwee, New Oxford R. 2, and Mrs. Estella Ferner, Gettysburg R. 1.

Discharges: Grace Rowe, Emmitsburg; Mrs. William Raffensperger, Orrtanna R. 2; Mrs. Robert Shorb, Westminster; Mrs. Lloyd Leatherman, Gettysburg R. 1; Ruth Jeffcoat, Biglerville; Miss Ruth Spangler, 18 Chambersburg St.; Sandra Pittenturf, Littlestown; William Kagarise, Keymar, Md.; Mrs. Charles Keepers and infant daughter, Emmitsburg; Mrs. Joseph Myers and infant son, Westminster; David Arendt, Gettysburg R. 3; Mrs. Donald Kriel and infant daughter, Flora Dale; Gregory Hobbs, Emmitsburg R. 2; Mrs. Eugene Sites and infant son, Iron Springs; Mary Herring, 270 Baltimore St., and Linda Lee Roser, Keymar, Md.

The candlelight service at St. James Lutheran Church will be broadcast this evening at 11 over WGET. The broadcast is being sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Trostle in honor of Mrs. Trostle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook.

WASHINGTON, (AP)—So many persons have asked about tickets to the Inaugural Ball—more than 50,000 of them so far, officials say—that the traditional climax to the presidential inauguration on Jan. 20 will be in two sections.

Wedding

Stine—Hartlaub

Miss Catherine L. Hartlaub, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Hartlaub, 210 North St., McSherrystown, and Clarence R. Stine, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Stine, Lewistown, were married at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, McSherrystown. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick F. McGee, pastor, officiated at the double-ring ceremony. The maid of honor was Miss Marguerite Hartlaub, sister of the bride. Serving as best man was Harold Conrad, brother-in-law of the bride. A reception at the home of the bride's parents followed the ceremony, after which the couple left for a wedding trip. The bride is a 1951 graduate of Delone Catholic High School. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stine are employed at the Harrisburg State Hospital.

DEATHS

William H. Shearer

William H. Shearer, 72, 5028 Orville Avenue, Baltimore, formerly of Hanover, died Monday at 2:45 p.m. in the Baltimore City Hospital. Before retiring seven years ago, Mr. Shearer, a son of the late Charles Henry Shearer and Mary Berthold Shearer, was foreman at the Hanover Glove Factory. His wife, Mrs. Cora Mabel Shearer, died November 18, 1944. Surviving are two sons, Herbert Shearer, with whom he made his home, and W. Dean Shearer, New Oxford R. 2, and a stepson, Paul Orndorff, Hanover. Mr. Shearer was a member of Trinity Reformed Church, Hanover. The Rev. Howard E. Sheely, his pastor, will conduct funeral services at the William A. Feiser Funeral Home, Hanover, Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Friends may mall at the funeral home Thursday evening.

Rites On Wednesday

Funeral services for Mrs. Helen Catherine Wagaman Glass, 58, wife of Marcellus H. Glass, New Oxford R. 2, who died Saturday morning at her home of a heart condition, were held Wednesday morning with a requiem mass at Immaculate Conception Church, New Oxford, with the Rev. Fr. Philip Gergen officiating. Interment in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Albert Becker, Lawrence Strausbaugh, G. M. Sadler, Robert Miller, William Dote and Paul Sneeringer.

Mervin L. Guise

Mervin L. Guise, 69, of 3015 Harvard Ave., Camp Hill, a former resident of Adams County, died Tuesday morning in the Harrisburg Hospital.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Jennie Guise; two sisters, Mrs. Paul Rhodes, New Oxford, and Mrs. Paul Hykes, Camp Hill; two brothers, Allen, Gardners R. D., and Paul, Biglerville, and a foster daughter, Mrs. Gladys Noaker, Harrisburg.

Funeral services Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Musselman Funeral Home, Lemoyne, and interment in the East Harrisburg Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Friday evening after 7 o'clock.

ORPHANS WILL

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parts for Christmas toys.

Some of the old toys came from the cellars and storerooms of children who had outgrown them, or had damaged them and had not had them repaired. Some came from Boy Scouts who collected them, but did not have the facilities to rehabilitate them.

Every toy thus collected was torn down, inspected, repaired, new parts provided where needed, rebuilt, painted and greased. Parts that couldn't be purchased were made at the machine shop. Wheels were checked for alignment; new spokes put in, wheels tightened, new tires provided. With the bicycles and tricycles, new seats, handlebar grips and other parts were provided.

Christmas morning three pickup truckloads of these toys will be taken to Paradise Protectory to make happier the youngsters who know no other home than this institution.

Bikes, Wagons, Etc.

There will be more than 40 large toys and a number of smaller ones, including two electric trains. Among the others are five 26-inch bicycles, one 22-inch bike, eight tricycles, four scooters, one pedal car, two riding horses, nine express wagons, one wheelbarrow, seven smaller trucks, one sled, and—a contribution from one who had no old toys—a five-pound box of candy.

The bicycles look like new in their glistening coats of paint. Every toy has been reconditioned until everything gleams. A very merry Christmas, indeed, at Paradise Protectory, and a very merry Christmas for the man who got the idea and those who helped him.

Among those who helped repair the toys, in addition to the machine shop employes, were the H. G. Simpson Refrigerating Service, which donated much of the painting work, along with Murl Shaffer, York St. The Kerrigan paint shop painted other toys at cost, and the Citizens Oil Co. sold pedals for bicycles, tires, etc., at cost.

John A. Codori, 405 York St., played an important role in obtaining old toys and in getting parts. Simpson's own employes who worked hard on the project included Charles Riley, John Eiker, George Bower, Glenn Simpson, Dale Kane and John Irvin.

HURT IN ACCIDENT

Mrs. Stanley Lipski, Arlington, Va., was treated for minor injuries received in an auto accident near Emmitsburg Tuesday evening.

Upper Communities

Telephone Mrs. Richard Raffensperger, Biglerville 32-W

Miss Ruth Fetters, a student at Averett College, Danville, Va., is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Fetters, Gardners R. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Sel Fidler, Aspers R. 1, will be the guests of honor this evening at an Open House party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wayburn, Aspers R. 1, in honor of the Fidlers' 32nd wedding anniversary. Miss Joan Fidler will be the co-hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Merkel Fernbaugh and son, Merkel Jr., Dillsburg R. D., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller, Biglerville.

Miss Myrna Wingert, a student at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N. Y., is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wingert, Biglerville R. D.

T/Sgt. William Soult, Harrisburg, who recently returned from Munich, Germany, has concluded a visit with R. C. Walter and family, Biglerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hummer, Biglerville R. D., are celebrating their 28th wedding aniversary today at the home of Mrs. Hummer's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Bower, Gettysburg.

Miss Doris Stierly, Biglerville, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stierly, Oaks, Pa.

Wayne Wentz and son, Terry, Hagerstown, spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wentz, Biglerville, and were accompanied home by the Misses Margaret and Darlene Wentz, children of Wayne Wentz who had been visiting in Hagerstown.

Pfc. Ralph Culp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Culp, Bendersville, has arrived in the states from Germany and will receive his discharge from the service at Indiantown Gap today. Pfc. Culp has been in the service two years.

Miss Mary Lockner, Harrisburg, will be a guest for the Christmas holidays of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Lott, Gardners.

S/1C and Mrs. Royce Hewitt and son, Donnie, Fort Slocum, N. Y., will arrive today to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Hewitt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton P. Wierman, Arendtsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shue and daughter, Brenda, Harper, Kan., are visiting with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Shue, Gettysburg R. D., and other relatives in the county.

Miss Shirley Guise, Harrisburg, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Guise, Biglerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Raudabaugh and sons, Leo and Vance, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Raudabaugh and daughter, Linda Carol, Carlisle R. D., will be guests on Christmas Day of the Rev. and Mrs. William Hollingsworth, Bendersville.

A/2C Merle Kopp, Scott Air Force Base, Ill., returned home Sunday to spend a 15-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Kopp, Heidlersburg.

Among a number of guests who were entertained at a Christmas dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dayhoff and family, Biglerville, were S/Sgt. and Mrs. Clarence Dayhoff and daughter, Maquire Air Force Base, N. J. and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Groshon, Graceham, Md.

The first meeting of Pack 77 of the Bendersville Cub Scouts will be held at the Bendersville School on Monday evening, December 29, at 7 o'clock. All parents and friends of the cubs are inited to the induction ceremony.

Edward Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grayson Fox, Orrtanna R. 1, who received first degree burns due to an accident two years ago in July and is a patient at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia, will arrive today to spend a week's vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fohl and son, Roger, Lynbrook, Long Island, arrived Tuesday night to spend a short holiday vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fohl and Mrs. S. E. Kapp, Biglerville.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Sweeney, Wilmington, Del., will be spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kane Jr. and family, Biglerville R D. The Sweeney's will be accompanied by Sandra Kane who has been visiting for several months in Delaware with her uncle and aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blackman and children, Joann and Johnny, Biglerville, are spending this week in Clarkson, N. C., where they will visit both of their parents

Miss Joyce Heckenluber, a student at the Central Pennsylvania Business College, Harrisburg, is spending a two-week vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy H. Heckenluber, Biglerville R. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kline and son, Barry, Ardmore, arrived Tuesday evening to spend the holidays with Emory E. Raffensperger and family, Biglerville R. D. Stanley Raffensperger, Montclair, N. J., will also be spending the Christmas vacation with his father, Emory Raffensperger.

There will not be any catechetical instructions at Flohr's Lutheran Church, McKnightstown, or at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Arendtsville, until Saturday, January 10.

Word has been received from A/1C John N. Weber, AF 13367465, 354th. Ftr. Intcp. Sqd., Box 157, Long Beach Municipal Airport, Long Beach, Calif., that he has received his gift subscription to The Gettysburg Times from St. Paul's Sunday School, Biglerville. A/1C Weber extends his sincere apreciation for this gift as he finds it a treat to be able to read the home town news being so far away.

William Graham 3rd has returned to his home in Mechanicsburg after spending a couple of days with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Raffensperger, Biglerville.

The Good Neighbor Club, Biglerville, has distributed approximately one dozen Christmas stockings containing fruit and nuts to the shut-ins in the community.

Miss Joan Enck, Biglerville, left today to spend the Christmas holidays with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Enck, and family, Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boyer and family, Biglerville, are leaving today to spend a few days with Mrs. Moyer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simmers, Dayton, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Chalker and son, Steven Douglas, Wichita Falls, Texas, are spending a two-week vacation with Mrs. Chalker's parents Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Bream, and grandfather, John Bream, E. York St., Biglerville.

DILLSBURG AREA CHURCHES HOLD XMAS PROGRAM

A candlelight service will be held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dillsburg, at 11 o'clock this evening. Rev. Roland Banes, pastor, will deliver the message and special Christmas music will be sung by the choir. After the serivce, refreshments will be served in the church social room.

Barrens Church, Barrens Valley, will feature a candlelight service Christmas Eve at 11 o'clock. Rev. A. T. Kaup, pastor, will be in charge of the service, which will include Christmas carols sung by the choir and organ selections.

Christmas was observed by the Franklintown Lutheran Church Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The Harmony Bethel Church of God will give a Christmas program on Sunday evening, December 28, at 7:30 o'clock.

Both the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches held their Christmas services on Sunday.

The Nativity Scene will be displayed on the square in Dillsburg this year. Carolers will sing on the square this evening at 7:30.

Our Masters Helpers Bible Class of Lutheran S. S. held their Christmas party Thursday at the home of Mrs. Ida Spath and Mrs. William Goodling. Seventeen members and guests attended. Officers were reinstalled and are. Mrs. Spath, president; teachers, J. L. Garretson and Paul Fulmer.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Dillsburg Fire Co. held their annual Christmas party Monday evening at the Dillsburg Community Hall. A covered dish supper was served and gifts were exchanged.

At Wedding In Pittsburgh

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rearick Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rearick Jr. were in Pittsburgh during the last week to attend the wedding of their daughter and sister, respectively, Miss Rose Rearick.

Cpl. Marjorie A. Bitner of the Women's Marine Corp., daughter of Mrs. Ruth Bitner, Dillsburg, has been transferred from Camp Lejuene, N. C., to the Naval Base at Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Eline returned from Toledo, O., from a two-week stay where Mrs. Eline had been attending a school under sponsorship of the Naval Depot, Mechanicsburg.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Dennis, Dillsburg R. 1, on Dec. 18, at the Seidel Memorial Hopsital, Mechanisburg.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wentz, Hagerstown, announce the birth of a daughter, Kathy Lynn, December 13, at the Hagerstown Hospital. This is their fourth child. Mr. Wentz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wentz, Biglerville.

Rev. and Mrs. Edwin C. Wentz, Tokyo, Japan, announce the birth of a daughter, Virginia Ruth, in Tokyo today. This is their first child. Mr. Wentz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wentz, Biglerville, and Mrs. Wentz is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Slaybaugh, Biglerville. Both are Lutheran missionaries in Japan.

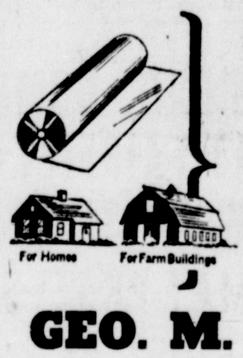
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wolf, 518 York St., announce the birth of a son at the Warner Hospital Tuesday evening.

Thinking of you, and wishing you a very

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25TH ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT EVENT AT ELIAS

The 25th annual Candlelighting service will be held at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church, Emmitsburg, tonight starting at 11 o'clock and closing a few minutes past midnight, the Rev. Philip Bower, pastor, has announced.

The service, which generally attracts community-wide attention, will feature music by both choirs of the church under director of Mrs. Reginald Zepp. The pastor will deliver a short Christmas sermon.

A Christmas Bible play, "The White Pearl," to be presented Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock will be the final Christmas service at Elias Evangelical Lutheran Church. A two act play written by Valeria R. Lehman, and 45 minutes in length, the production will be presented by a group of young people of the church's Sunday School.

To Present Gifts

Scene of the play is a home in Bethlehem on the eve of the First Christmas. The characters include Nathan, a Jewish owner of flocks; Ruth, his wife; Esther, their 20-year-old daughter; Paul, a young Roman and husband of Esther; Anna, serving woman to Esther; Jacob, keeper of Nathan's flocks, and Aram, another shepherd.

At the close of the play Sunday evening there will be presentation of gifts from the classes of the Church School and those present at the play.

The annual New Year's eve watch-night service will be held at Elias Church beginning at 11 o'clock next Wednesday night and closing one minute after midnight. The Youth and Chapel Choirs will provide the music for the candlelight service. The New Year's Communion will be held at the church at 10:30 o'clock on the morning of Sunday, January 4.

Services this coming Sunday at Elias Lutheran will include Sunday School at 9:15 o'clock, worship service at 10:30 a.m.; the Christmas play at 7:30 o'clock. Catechise Class will meet Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

Holiday News

Mrs. Eupnemia Rotering, Miss Anne Rotering and Ronnie Elliot visited with Mrs. Mae Welty at Longview Nursing Home in Hampstead, Md., on Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Gregg and children visited from Friday until Tuesday morning with Mrs. Gregg's mother, Mrs. Agnes Garner. Dr. Gregg is a flight surgeon in the U. S. Navy.

Eugene Bouey, a student at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, is spending his Christmas vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bouey. He will return to the Seminary on January 13.

Jimmy Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Martin, is spending several days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Martin, in Hanover, Pa.

Pfc. John (Jack) Timmerman is spending a 30-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Timmerman. Pfc. Timmerman has just returned from Korea where he spent the last year.

Mrs. Joseph Wivell, Mrs. Ann Stambaugh and Joseph Kolb left Monday for Painesville, Ohio, to visit with Mrs. Wivell's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles "Bud" Wivell. A son was born on Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Wivell, Mrs. Joseph Wivell will spend a week in Ohio.

Announcement was made that the Emmitsburg Savings Bank will be closed on Friday, December 26.

Court House Party Is Held On Monday

The annual Christmas party for court house employes was held Monday in the law library at the Court House with Miss Pauline Staub, Miss Janice Geiselman and Mrs. Martha McCleaf serving as the committee in charge.

An exchange of gifts, a tree, and recorded music were featured. A special gift was presented to Theodore U. Geiman from the group Clark S. Fetters, president of the board of commissioners made the presentation. Special gifts were also presented to Fetters and Commissioner Karl J. Smith. Mrs. S. Richard Eisenhart presented favors to the women. Mrs. Thalia Clapper and Miss Staub served as "Santa Clauses".



Unbeaten Gettysburg High Cagers Are Ranked With Top Contenders For Loop Title

(Editor's Note: This is the third of a series of articles on prospects of the South Penn Basketball League teams written by members of the South Penn Sportswriters Association.)

A pre-season forecast that Gettysburg High School would be one of the top contenders for the South Penn basketball title this season is being borne out in warm-up games prior to the opening of the league campaign on Tuesday, January 6.

Coach George Forney's Warriors are unbeaten to date after scoring impressive victories over Hagerstown, Westminster, Delone Catholic and York.

Four lettermen and a newcomer hold the key to the Gettysburg hopes in unseating the defending titlists—Hanover.

Foremost among the returning lettermen is Marlin "Skip" Fiscel, the playmaker and long distance shot on the squad. Fiscel, as a junior last year, gained the first team in all-conference selections. He has lost none of all-around ability and appears headed for an even better season.

Skinner Is Biggest

Jim Skinner, 6-2 and biggest man on the squad, is back at his old position at center. The 200-pound husky has shown more hustle this season and needs only to continue his aggressiveness to become one of the outstanding players in the league.

The most pleasant surprise to date has been the work of John "Monte" Carter. Despite being less than six feet, his powerful spring-like legs have been a terrific advantage in his jump shots. He is currently leading the squad in scoring.

Bob Hixon rounds out the group of veterans. He is improving steadily on offensive and defensive work. Each game finds him becoming a more and more important cog in the Warrior machine.

The newcomer, Gus Dayhoff, has stepped rgiht into a starting berth with ease. A rugged performer, his ability to take the ball off the backboards against much taller opponents has made him an invaluable performer. He undoubtedly is the most aggressive player on the squad.

First Line Reservists

The bench strength for the Warriors is composed primarily of George Penn, a fast, shifty player with a good eye; Jay Schmitt, who specializes in long tosses; Pete Baughman, a strong defensive performer; Jay Sixeas, a tireless worker; Bobby Rohrbaugh, Paul Ketterman, Johnny Beegle and George Bender, who have shown flashes of good form from time to time.

This year's squad has shown more team-work and hustle than any GHS outfit in many season. Despite having any exceptional height, they have shown they can compete satisfactorily against taller squads and will rely greatly upon their speed and hustle in future games.

The Warriors play at Carlisle in their league opener on January 6.

NAME SHANTZ ATHLETE OF '52

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Bobby Shantz, the major league's tiniest pitcher, has been voted the year's outstanding athlete by the Philadelphia Sports Writers Association.

The five-foot six and a quarter inch southpaw, who hung up a 24-7 record for the Athletics last season, received 151 points in poll figures released yesterday. His won-lost percentage was the best in the majors.

Robins Roberts, a 28-game winner for the Philadelphia Phillies, was second with 132 points. Scoring was on a five, three, one basis for first, second and third place ballots.

Bob Mathias, Stanford decathlon ace, Horace Ashenfelter, Penn State's olympic distance runner, and heavyweight boxing champion Rocky Marciano placed third, fourth and fifth in the voting.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

By The Associated Press
Tuesday's Scores

St. Johns (Bkn) 67 N. C. State 56
Seattle 102 NYU 101
Marshall (WVa) 102 Memphis State 76
West Virginia 86 South Carolina 73
Columbia 61 Georgia 51
Minnesota 77 Illinois 73
Wayne (Mich) 71 Duquesne 59
Drake 77 Missouri 57
Wichita 78 San Diego State 56
St. Marys (Calif) 81 Detroit 78
Colorado State 51 Hastings 50
Rice 87 Stephen F. Austin 66
Wyoming 56 Oregon 54
Montana 85 Washington State 61
Montana State 76 Colorado Mines 58

NBA AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
Tuesday's Result

Indianapolis 72 Fort Wayne 59

The human skull is composed of 22 bones.

MAY PROTEST NIGHT GAMES BEFORE SEASON

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Ralph Kiner, home-run hitting outfielder of the Pittsburgh Pirates who also acts as the National League player representative, says his club's exhibition schdule—consisting almost entirely of night games—may be protested to Commissioner Ford Frick.

The Pirates have scheduled 34 exhibition games, 26 of them at night. Kiner said yesterday in a phone interview from his Palm Springs, Calif., home that it works a hardship on players to train during the day and play at night. He added:

"If that happens with the Pirates in the spring, we will protest. Of course, there is nothing we can do at this time, but it will certainly be taken up with the other clubs during the spring and presented to Commissioner Frick . . ."

Branch Rickey, Pirate general manager, had no comment.

Major league baseball players have been fighting for several years to have night games eliminated during spring training.

Sports In Brief

By The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota scored major upset by beating Illinois, ranked 2nd in Associated Press poll, 77-73.

NEW YORK — Johnny O'Brien of Seattle Univ. tied collegiate 4-year individual scoring mark of 2,592 points by tossing in 29 points against NYU.

MONTEBELLO, Calif. — Lloyd Mangrum won Montebello Open Golf tournament for third time with a 207.

MIAMI — Betsy Rawls, in her first full year as a professional, set the 1952 money-winning pace for America's women golfers by capturing $14,505 in purses.

NEW YORK — Wes Westrum, New York Giants catcher, became the first member of the team to sign his 1953 contract.

NEW YORK—Hoyt Wilhelm, the New York Giants' ace relief specialist topped the National League in 1952 in earned run average with 2.43 and winning percentage with .833 (15-3)—the first rookie in major league history to attain this feat.

MIAMI — Charlie Burr rode three winners, including Blue Square ($8.40) in Toxophilite Purse at Tropical Park.

'Happy' Chandler May Return To Baseball

NEW YORK (AP) — There is a chance that A. B. (Happy) Chandler may be back in organized baseball—as managing director of the San Francisco club of the Pacific Coast League. Negotiations between Paul Fagan, owner of the Seals, and the former baseball commissioner have been resumed after having been broken off two weeks ago.

At the time, Fagan had offered Chandler $25,000 a year to take charge of the Seals, with Fagan retaining the ownership. Chandler was willing to accept the post, but asked for a five-year contract instead of the two-year pact offered by Fagan. Happy argued it would require that time to rebuild the club.

TUESDAY NIGHT'S FIGHTS
By The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Jesus Fuentes, 158, Los Angeles, stopped Nick Moran, 156, Mexico City, 5.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — Georgie Benton, 152, Philadelphia, outpointed Charlie Joseph, 154, New Orleans, 10.

NEWARK, N. J. — Bobby Fenty, 131, New York, outpointed Charlie Slaughter, 132, Westfield, 8.

Serve baked custard with a topping of whipped cream that's been sweetened and flavored with a little freshly grated nutmeg.

If leftover cake has become dry, slice it and toast it. Serve with a chocolate or fruit sauce.

O'BRIEN NEAR 1,000 MARK IN COURT SCORING

NEW YORK (AP)—The next point the amazing Johnny O'Brien scores for the Seattle basketball team will give him a new four-year record for college basketball.

The point-scoring prodigy, the first collegian to top the 1,000 mark in one season, contributed 29 points to Seattle's 102-101 victory over New York University last night and now is tied with Nate DeLong, who scored 2,592 points for River Falls (Wis.) State Teachers College. From there it's only a short hop for the agile O'Brien to the career record of 2,902 set by DeLong in five years.

Thus, Johnny once again takes the headlines away from his twin brother Eddie, his teammate ever since they first started tossing a basketball around in their native South Amboy, N. J. Eddie scored 33 points, including two vital foul shots at the end, and was at least equally as important as his more publicized brother to the team's victory.

Pirates Interested

But it was only another contradiction in the career of the twins who went to a college 3,000 miles from home on baseball scholarships. That's right, baseball — Coach Al Brightman got the scholarships for them after seeing them perform in the National Semi-Pro Baseball Tourney at Wichita, Kan.

"Pro basketball would be nice, but I'm really more interested in baseball," Johnny said last night. "I'm an infielder and Eddie's an outfielder. We both bat and hit right-handed, but I once pitched a softball game left-handed."

He didn't discuss any pro offers, but it's reported the Pittsburgh Pirates are definitely interested in him.

BROWNS SILENT ON BLAST BY DETROIT COACH

CLEVELAND (AP) — Coach Paul Brown had a terse "no comment" today to a long range dig at him from Detroit by Lions coach Buddy Parker.

Brown, said Parker, is trying to make his Cleveland Browns "underdogs" for Sunday's pro football championship game with the Lions by inferring the Browns are in poor shape.

Parker also said that Brown was "harping" about injuries, "old men" on his team, and "rustiness" from a two-week layoff.

In the past week or so, Brown has been complaining about injuries to such key players as halfback Dub Jones and end Mac Speedie. He still insisted today that "frankly we're not counting on them."

"Nine Old Men"

As for "old men," the Browns have nine players who have been with the team since it was established in 1946. Brown has been known to defend them, in spite of their age, as better than "a lot of younger men I know."

These "nine old men," as the players describe themselves, are:

Quarterback Otto Graham, fullback Marion Motley, offensive ends Dante Lavelli and Speedie, defensive end George Young, tackle Lou Groza, guards Lin Houston and Bill Willis, and center Frank Gatski.

As things stand today, it appeared that the player with the least chance of playing Sunday is tackle John Kissell, who has a sprained ankle. Jones and Speedie have injured knees, and tackle - kicker Groza has a set of bruised ribs.

The Lions have injury problems too: guard Dick Stanfel is on the doubtful list. Halfback Jug Girard and defensive end Sherwin Gandee won't play because of injured legs.

Sound does not travel in a vacuum.

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Many Rookies Going To Spring Training

CHICAGO (AP)—Nearly one third of all players reporting to American League spring baseball training bases in February will be rookies.

Current club rosters filed at league headquarters list a total of 303 players for spring training, 99 of them rookies. The crop of yearlings is smaller by four than last year.

"They may be down in quantity but they're up in quality," said Earl Hilligan, American League service bureau director.

Cleveland has 15 rookies in tow, biggest bunch of the lot. Chicago, Philadelphia, Washington and Detroit each has 14. Boston has 10 and New York and St. Louis have nine each.

ALUMNI WILL DRILL FRIDAY

Three two-hour practice sessions have been announced for the Alumni basketball squad which will oppose the Gettysburg High School varsity in the annual game next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The drills will be held on the high school floor as follows: Friday, 3 to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 3 to 5 p.m., and Monday, 2 to 4 p.m.

Paul Anzengruber will coach the squad.

A number of boys have already announced their intentions of seeking berths and others will be welcome. To be eligible a player is required to have been a member of the high school varsity squad, a graduate within the last five years and a non-member of a college varsity squad at present.

South Predicting Orange Bowl Win

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Coaching staffs of both the North and South all-star squads said today they had the finest collection of players they ever saw but only the South predicted a victory in the Shrine's charity football game Christmas night in the Orange Bowl.

South coach Andy Gustafson of Miami made the flat prediction that the south will win its fourth game in five appearances and said after Tuesday's final lengthy practice session, "we're ready."

"I'm not making any predictions, but we'll give them a real battle," said North coach Stu Holcomb of Puredue.

Scholastic Basketball
Tuesday's Scores

Pottsville 60 Lancaster 35
Coatesville 86 Ridley Township 48
Pottstown 57 Norristown 52
Weatley 72 Tamaqua 41
Old Forge 60 Plymouth 41
Harrisburg John Harris 62 Harrisburg Catholic 55
Steeleton 54 Waynesboro 37
Lebanon 59 Porter Twp. 33
Alumni 60 York 52
Monessen 48 Aliquippa 29
Conemaugh 58 Huntingdon 51
Charleroi 72 Uniontown 40
Ford City 46 Duquesne 32
Johnstown 62 Portage 35
Shippensburg 53 Scotland 51

TONY DESPIRITO NEEDS 18 WINS

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Tony Despirito the game little Lawrence, Mass., jockey who rode 370 winners this year, swings into action at Tropical Park today, confident he can break the record before the year ends.

He will need to bring in 19 winners in eight days to surpass the American mark of 388 established by Walter Miller in 1906 and tied by Willie Shoemaker and Joe Culmone in 1950.

"I still think I can beat the record," Despirito said. "At least, I'm going to try. My mother wanted me to spend the holidays at home but since I've finished my suspension, I'm staying here to ride out the year."

Despirito was set down for 10 days on Dec. 12 after his mount fouled another horse during a race for two-year-olds at Tropical Park.

Despirito, who celebrates his 18th birthday with his return to the saddle, plans to ride in Havana, Cuba, tomorrow and again on Sunday, putting in the other six days at Tropical Park.

MOST COLLEGE PREXIES OPPOSE GRID BOWL TILTS

KANSAS CITY (AP)—A majority of college presidents have reported their disapproval of football bowl games.

This was reported yesterday in a study of post-season competition, undertaken by the extra events committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

The survey showed that a strong majority of the Nation's educational and athletic administrators, as well as the athletes and student leaders, approve of "properly controlled and administered" post-season athletic events—with the college presidents taking exception on the football bowl games.

Favored By Coaches

The presidents were asked to report their institutional policy and 31 per cent of the 156 responding college presidents approved bowl games while 53 per cent reported disapproval.

Among the presidents whose teams have participated in such bowls, however, 45.6 per cent approved such competition and 35 per cent disapproved.

Head coaches of all sports voted 63.4 per cent in favor of bowl games with 26.9 per cent opposed. Athletic directors were 57.2 per cent in favor and 39.3 per cent opposed.

Among non-participants, 54.4 per cent of the head coaches approved while among head coaches who had experienced a bowl game, 71.5 per cent approved.

Santa Claus

(Continued from Page 1)

your jet bombers," Santa Claus told the airplane pilot. "We'll make out in the old-fashioned way. I've never disappointed the children yet, AND I won't now."

He called for his favorite blacksmith, a grimy elf named Mr. Forge, and asked him if he could fix the sleigh.

"I can fix anything," said Mr. Forge. "I can even fix a televison set."

"But what will you use to make a new runner for my sleigh?" asked Santa.

Runner From Icicle

"An icicle, of course," said Mr. Forge, impatiently, "What else?"

So a dozen elves climbed up to the North Pole and knocked off the biggest icicle they could find. Just before twilight after the icicle had been fixed so it wouldn't melt, Mr. Forge firmly nailed it to the sleigh with a silver hammer. Then the rest of the presents were piled on.

There was hardly room in the seat for Santa Claus himself.

"Ho, ho ho! he cried. "Ho, ho, ho, here we go!"

As the little reindeer leaned against their harness and the sleigh began to move, the U. S. Air Force plane took off on the roadway ahead of them. That made the little reindeer angry.

Passes The Airplane

"Old and slow are we?" snorted Donder to Blitzen. "Let's show that airplane our heels."

And that is just what they did. Faster and faster their little hooves twinkled in the clear frosty air, and soon they overtook the big lumbering airplane and passed it, jingling their bells and laughing.

Waving goodbye to the airplane, the merry old saint in the driver's seat laughed, too, until the tears ran down into his long white beard.

"You can't beat Santa Claus," he said, "so you might as well quit trying."

And the fine old-fashioned sleigh sped on through the skies, bringing a present for you . . . and you . . . and you . . . as soon as you go to sleep.

Aerial Fireworks In Making In Gray Camp

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—Rival all-star squads went into their biggest pre-Christmas workouts today as coaches readied them for the big Blue-Gray all-star grid game only two days away.

Yankee coach Rip Engle continued to stress ground plays with just enough passing to keep the show interesting as he put the Blues through their paces yesterday.

But in the Gray camp aerial fireworks are making most of the sparkle. They were touched off yesterday by nifty-throwing Hal Ledyard of Chattanooga and Ray Graves of Texas A. & M.

APPLY FOR LICENSE

Raleigh S. Redding, Hanover, and Barbara Jean Sholl, New Oxford, have applie for a marriage license in York.

Television Programs

P.M. WMAR Channel 2
4:00—Western Tunes
5:00—The Bailey Goss Show
6:00—The Early Show
6:50—Power Tool Demonstration
6:55—Maryland Magazine
7:00—7 O'clock Final
7:15—Dinner at the Sheraton Belvedere
7:30—Douglas Edwards
7:45—The Ferry Como Show
8:00—Arthur Godfrey
9:00—Strike It Rich
9:30—Man Against Crime
10:00—Christmas Eve Musicale
10:45—Sports Spot, Mel Allen
11:00—Christmas Eve Service
12:00—Midnight Mass
1:30—The Late Edition
1:45—Sign off

P.M. WBAL Channel 11
4:00—Kate Smith Show
5:00—"Hawkins Falls"
5:15—Gabby Hayes Show
5:30—Howdy Doody
6:00—Silver Saddle Roundup
6:40—Maryland State Police
6:45—Your News Reporter
7:00—The March of Time
7:30—Those Two
7:45—News Caravan
8:00—I Married Joan
8:30—Cavalcade of America
9:00—Tevellision Theater: "A Christmas Carol"
10:00—This Is Your Life
10:30—Press Bulletins
10:35—Weather Report
10:50—Christmas Eve Service
12:30—Midnight Mass

P.M. WAAM Channel 13
4:00—Playhouse 13
5:00—Captain Video
5:30—Film Funnies
6:00—Shopping For You
6:45—The Newsman
6:50—The Sportsman
6:55—The Weatherman
7:00—Lazy H Ranch Jamboree
7:30—The Christopher Program
7:45—Cardinal Spellman
8:00—Dickens' "A Christmas Carol"
8:30—Bombs and Bandages
8:45—The Fourth Man
9:00—Premiever of "Stars and Stripes Forever"
9:30—Christmas Even
10:00—Christmas Greetings
11:00—Christmas Eve Service
12:00—Final Edition

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

A.M. WMAR Channel 2
9:00—Christmas Morning Variety
9:15—"A Star Shall Rise"
9:45—Morning News
10:00—Arthur Godfrey
11:00—There's One In Every Family
11:30—Strike It Rich

P.M.
12:00—Bride and Groom
12:15—"Love of Life"
12:30—"Search for Tomorrow"
12:45—Television News
12:50—The Woman's Angle
1:30—The Garry Moore Show
2:00—Everywhere I Go
2:30—The Guiding Light
2:45—Art Linkletter's House Party
3:15—Mike and Buff
3:30—The Big Picture
4:00—The Adventures of Santa Claus
5:00—The Bailey Goss Show
6:00—The Early Show
6:55—Maryland Magazine
7:00—7 O'clock Final
7:15—Vienna Boys' Choir
7:30—Douglas Edwards
7:45—Heaven For Betsy
8:00—The Burns and Allen Show
8:30—"Amos and Andy"
9:00—"Biff Baker, U.S.A."
9:30—Big Town
10:00—Racket Squad
10:30—Hollywood Off-Beat
11:00—The Late Show
12:30—The Late Edition
12:45—Bible Reading
12:50—Sign off

A.M. WBAL Channel 11
7:00—Today with Dave Garroway
8:55—Hymn Music
9:00—Morning Matinee
10:00—In The Kitchen
10:30—Christmas in Puppet Land
11:00—Spin 'n Win
11:30—Laurie Alwyn and Eve

P.M.
12:00—The Littlest Angel
12:15—Christmas In Sweden
12:30—Mollie Martin
1:00—Hollywood Playhouse
2:00—Brent Gunts Show
3:00—Bob Considine Calling
4:00—On Yuletide Square
5:00—"Hawkins Falls"
5:15—Short, Short Stories
5:30—Howdy Doody
6:00—"Amahl and The Night Visitors"
7:00—Candy Corner
7:30—The Dinah Shore Show
7:45—News Caravan
8:00—Groucho Marx
8:30—Treasury Men In Action
9:00—Dragnet
9:30—Television Theater
10:00—Martin Kane
10:30—Dangerous Assignment
11:00—Eleventh Hour Finals
11:05—The Weather Report
11:10—Picture Playhouse
12:15—Late News
12:20—Program Previews

A.M. WAAM Channel 13
9:30—Test Pattern
9:55—News Headlines
10:00—Morning Movies
11:00—Home Cooking
11:45—Film Funnies

P.M.
12:00—Dickens' "A Christmas Carol"
12:30—Iron Ponies
12:45—Christopher Program
12:45—Noontime News
1:00—Shopping for You
1:45—Film Funnies
2:00—Matinee Movies
3:00—Tee Vee WAAMboree
4:00—Playhouse 13
5:00—Christmas Day Festival
6:00—Shopping for You
6:45—The Newsman
6:50—The Sportsman
6:55—The Weatherman
7:00—This Is Your Zoo
7:30—The Lone Ranger
8:00—Greatest Man On Earth
8:30—Chance of a Lifetime
9:00—Trash or Treasure
9:30—A Star Shall Rise
10:00—Author Meets Critics
10:30—I've Got a Secret
11:00—Midnight Movie
12:00—Final Edition
12:05—Tomorrow on WAAM

The name of Mrs. W. C. Weaner, Aspers R. D., a great-grandmother was omitted in the list of survivors of Nancy Claire Kell, aged three months, who died Monday at her home in Falls Church, Va.

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2nd PRIZE
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New Oxford R. 2, Pa.
Age 6 Years
3rd PRIZE
PATRICIA ANN BROWN
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Hanover, Pa.
Age 7 Years
4th PRIZE
RODGER L. HARE
6 York St.
Manchester, Md.
Age 7 Years

AGES 9 to 12 YEARS
1st PRIZE
SHIRLEY J. CLOUSER
Hanover R. 2, Pa.
Age 9 Years
2nd PRIZE
JAMES PADDOCK
Gettysburg R. 2, Pa.
Age 10 Years
3rd PRIZE
SAA ELAINE SMELTZ
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Age 11 Years
4th PRIZE
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Age 12 Years

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Out Of The Past

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TWENTY YEARS AGO

250 Attend Elks Charity Dance: Approximately 250 men and women attended the annual charity ball of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks lodge in the C. W. Epley recreation center, York Street.

Bud Codori's Pennsylvania Ramblers furnished a variety of musical selections.

An Elks revue, featuring home talent, featured the intermission and $5 in gold prizes were awarded.

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Bonus Checks for Employes: Gettysburg furniture factories closed Friday evening for the Christmas holidays and will reopen immediately after the first of the year. M. C. Jones, general manager, has announced.

The annual Christmas bonus checks were presented to each employe of the factory on Friday. More than 600 men and women received bonus checks.

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Lodge Holds Christmas Party: Mary Gettys Rebekah lodge held its annual Christmas party Thursday evening at the Odd Fellows' hall, center square, with approximately 200 guests and members in attendance.

The entertainment committee comprised Mrs. William Wentz, Mrs. J. Price Oyler, Mrs. Carl Oyler, Mrs. D. Ellis Schwartz and Mrs. Howard Hartzell.

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To Sing Carols Christmas Eve: A community carol service will be held in front of the Y.W.C.A. building, Center Square, Saturday evening, December 24, at 8:30 o'clock.

The American Legion band will furnish music for the occasion.

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86 Members in Eagles Class: Honoring James B. Aumen upon the occasion of his 60th birthday anniversary, a special James B. Aumen class of 86 candidates was initiated into the local Fraternal Order of Eagles, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The class was one of the largest ever initiated into the local Eagles The membership of the lodge is now 857, the largest fraternal organization in Adams County.

Mr. Aumen, a charter member of the Eagles, has held every office in the lodge and has been secretary of the order for the past 22 years. The class of initiates was organized to commemorate Mr. Aumen's 60th birthday anniversary which he observed on Saturday, December 17.

A buffet supper was served to more than 500 members and guests.

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House Passes 3.2 Beer Bill: Congressman Harry Haines of the York-Adams-Franklin district voted for the Collier 3.2 per cent beer bill, in the lower house of Congress, Wednesday afternoon.

"Beer was made an issue in the last campaign and in view of the very wonderful vote I received, while justifying my vote for the O'Connor-Hull bill, I feel there is no other course open to me. I must subordinate my personal views in this instance, and while I do not like the bill as much as I did the O'Connor-Hull measure, and I hope that it will be amended in the house, still I must support it," the congressman said.

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Kiddie Party: The first public appearance of Santa Claus in Gettysburg this year was staged Friday evening at the Gettysburg fire engine house when the annual Kiddies' party was held.

Every boy and girl in Adams county under 12 years of age was invited to attend by jolly old St. Nicholas.

The fire company has provided 1,200 boxes of candy and 1,200 oranges. More than $500 has been donated to the company for the project.

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Physician Is Ill: Dr. John L. Boyer, Arendtsville, is reported seriously ill with influenza at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boyer, near Arendtsville.

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Christmas Program in Arendtsville: A Christmas program will be given in the Arendtsville Lutheran church Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. A play, "The Lost Star" will be presented. The cast includes Edwin Rice, Luther Lady, Jeanne Rice, Mrs. M. E. Knouse and Robert Carey. An orchestra will furnish music.

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275 Baskets of Provisions Are Given to Needy: Welfare and charitable organizations, clubs, lodges and individuals have distributed practically 275 baskets of provisions in Gettysburg and Adams county Friday and Saturday.

The Red Cross alone distributed 160 baskets of staple food. The Red Cross was assisted in the filling of its baskets by the Rotary Club, the Mothers' club, the Menallen monthly meeting, Gettysburg school children and numerous individuals.

Each basket contained a picnic ham and staple groceries.

Toys and dolls, furnished by Gettysburg Boy Scouts and the Business and Professional Girls' Club and Girl Reserves, were sent out to those families having children.

The Gettysburg lodge of Elks distributed 50 baskets; Theta Kappa Nu fraternity, 25 baskets; Phi Delta Theta fraternity, 5 baskets; the Albert J. Lentz American Legion post, 15 baskets; Business and Professional Girls' club, five baskets; Homecraft girls, three baskets, and the Annie Danner club, three baskets.

With the distribution of the baskets and the distribution of the Eichelberger and Stahle funds, no family in Gettysburg or Adams county should go cold or hungry on Christmas.

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Personal Mention: Miss Elizabeth Phelps, of Toronto, Canada, is spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Henry W. Phelps, Lincoln Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Spangler and family, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Spangler.

Miss Mary Jane Snyder, of New York City, will spend the Christmas season with Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Snyder.

Miss Myrle Stauffer, Baltimore St., will spent next week in York.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Stallsmith, Lancaster, are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. George Stallsmith.

Making holiday candy? Then keep a watchful eye on it during the last few moments of cooking, as the temperature rises with great speed once it reaches 220F.

Today's Talk

ON TAKING BITTER MEDICINE

Many of us wince at taking bitter medicine. We used to do so in our childhood without realizing the significance. Usually it was that kind of medicine that did the curing! Our life's experience is that of bitter and sweet.

In my reading I came across a wise bit of writing by Ralph Waldo Emerson, written in his diary of 1866. He said: "I do not despond at all whilst I hear the verdicts of European juries against us. Renan says so and so. That does not hurt us at all. Arnold says thus and thus. Neither does that touch us. I think it safer to be blamed, than praised. Listen to every censure in good part."

Nothing said against an upright man or a worthy cause injures either. Bother are like Gibraltars that stand out impregnable. The good sport takes his defeat in good part. He takes his medicine with a smile. And he often lives to overcome that defeat, as the story books and histories so delight in recording.

There is a heroism in Korea right now that matches anything in all history. And there are those taking their bitter medicine in hospitals and humble homes — the crippled and shut-ins — that challenge the courage and faith of us all. Socrates took his hemlock and smiled. The heroism of Vachel Lindsay wrote a greater poem in death than any he ever wrote in life, tragic as is the fact.

The joy of the event of the birth of Christ was balanced by the suffering upon the cross. With completeness the example of that life has influenced mankind as no other life.

Defeat and failure are both bitter medicines to take, but their only finality lies in a loss of will and faith. We can always start over again. Life anew may always begin with the morning light! In it is the smile of hope, the curative medicine of God's love.

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Just Folks

CHRISTMAS DAY

In a stable He was born,
In a manger slept.
Now another Christmas morn
In His name is kept.

Star of Bethlehem above;
Shepherds at the door;
Day of wonder, day of love
Never known before.

Day of glory, song and mirth
Little dreamed of then.
Day of hope for peace on earth
And good will toward men.

Christmas! May its love replace
Hate the wide world o'er.
May all homes Christ's presence grace
Now and evermore.

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THE ALMANAC

Dec. 24—Sun rises 7:20; sets 4:40.
Moon sets 12:32 a.m.
Dec. 25—Sun rises 7:20; sets 4:40.
Moon sets 1:48 a.m.

MOON PHASES
December 23—First quarter.
December 31—Full moon.



READY FOR BROADWAY RUN — Members of Italy's famed Bersaglieri, instrument-playing troops who play while doing double time, practice at Milan. They've been invited to New York to demonstrate prowess with run down Broadway.

THINGS OF THE SOIL

By DAN F. VAN GORDER
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WINTER TASKS FOR MILD DAYS

There are winter jobs around lawns, gardens, orchards and farms which, if they are not completed during periods of mild weather as opportunities come, will not be done at all. These are usually important tasks but they suffer indefinite postponement when the busy days of late February and early March arrive.

Coldframes should be built and ready to use by the middle of January. In many years of association with thousands of flower growers, vegetables gardeners, orchardists and farmers we have never known a single instance where anyone ever had too much coldframe space. But we have seen innumerable cases where the grower seriously lacked frames when the active gardening season arrived simply because he did not take time to build them in December and early January.

Grape arbors are more easily neglected than almost any other part of garden equipment. The chief cause lies putting off the work until spring. Arbors should be completed before grape pruning time arrives in late January.

Likewise cultivated dewberries need wire trellises and other bramble fruits require either slat or wire trellises or individual stakes for supports. If the planting is already started, these structures should be built during mild weather in early winter; if new planting is planned for early March, materials for supports should be on hand ready for construction immediately after planting.

The best time of the year to cut bean poles is in winter. Often this task can be coupled with the clearing of unwanted underbrush. Poles cut during the dormant season and stored under shelter when not in use will last many years.

The same advice applies to tomato stakes. Almost all gardeners may remember when tomato plans were restricted because the grower did not have time in May and June to locate and prepare stakes.

A dormant spray of lime - sulphur concentrate (1-to-7) may be applied during winter whenever the temperature is well above freezing. This is needed to prevent leaf-curl, a common disease that is returning with unusual severity to many regions. The tiny organisms live over mainly on or in the bud folds and must be destroyed before buds begin to open.

Woodlot thinning is another task for winter. Defective or crowding trees should be removed now to give room for worthwhile trees. Post, pulp and sawing timber may be more easily cut when leaves are absent to permit better judgment of timber values.

Farmers who have learned the immense and durable worth of pasture rotation may also have learned that late spring seldom affords time to erect divisional fences. Often, far too often, rotation benefits are lost because the owner postponed fencing when opportunities were afforded in winter.

Gully repairing serves best when done in winter before freezing and thawing ravages of late winter and washing rains of spring occur. Such repairs may consist merely of a forkful or two of dry vegetation or a permanent dam.

Along this line it may be suggested that black locust trees are excellent soil - holders on steep slopes and in incipient gullies. Seedlings may be easily and safely transplanted any time in winter when the ground is not frozen. The same is true for planting most other timber trees.

NOTES ON MOUSE CONTROL

House and barn mice are tolerated enemies — pests which man actually invites to the premises by offering them "free rooms and meals." Field mice are more difficult to control because their habits render them less susceptible to possible measures to curb their propagation. But in general every family, urban as well as rural, should know how to plan and operate an effective extermination crusade against all mice.

It is amazing to learn that despite man's long and costly experience with mice decade after decade that many persons still believe that a mouse is a small rat — or in other words, when a mouse is fully grown it becomes a rat. Therefore, it is quite understandable that with so much ignorance surrounding a subject, mouse control efforts fall pitably short of solving htis wide-spread problem.

The first major step in warfare on house and barn mice is to shut off the "free meals." Keeping lids on garbage cans, fitting grain bins with covers, avoidance of grain strewn when feeding livestock, eradication of nesting shelters, and mouse-proofing of all bins and granaries are steps toward this goal.

Trapping remains one of the most effective ways to keep mice controlled. But like rat trapping, emphasis must be placed on having mice hungry when traps are set, else the animals will not be attracted to the baits. The same truth applies where poison baits are distributed. As long as mice may feed freely in open grain bins and exposed garbage containers they will not be lured to trap baits.

Poisoning mice around dwelling houses, cellars, barns and other places where feeds and foods are stored or where animals and fowls are housed must be practiced with care to minimize dangers. In fact, so long as house and barn mice can be kept under control by trapping and the presence of active cats, use of poison baits may wisely be avoided.

On the other hand, poisoning is the more effective and better way to combat field or orchard mice. In most cases these animals endanger small fruit trees in winter when snow covers the ground and inclement weather otherwise restricts their normal sources or supplies of feed. Young apple trees are usually injured first, although pear and quince trees may be attacked along with other young nursery stock, including ornamental shrubs.

In war on field mice it is important to practice sanitation by eradicating waste vegetation and other sheltering litter left in and near young orchards.

In regions where mice have previously damaged fruit trees, use of trunk shields is advised — small-mesh wwoven wire or heavy paper casings for the trunks.

If poison baits are employed, they should be distributed in milk bottles, small tubular tile or in social "stations" built to afford mice free access to baits but to bar friendly birds and animals. Keeping baits fresh from early December until late winter is a wise precaution.

Many orchardists make effective use of "flapper" traps to capture orchard mice, setting the traps in runways and covering them loosely with vegetation.

The editor will be glad to furnish interested readers formulas for making poison baits at home for war on orchard mice.

STEPS TOWARD HOME GARDENS

It is needless to stress the fact that every farm should have a well planned and carefully rounded vegetable garden to provide fresh vegetables for immediate table use, ample extra supplies to dry and can and freeze, plus whatever scope of production can be sold at roadside stands and in urban centers within quick and easy trucking distance. Likewise every suburban family with adequate space and suitable soils should grow a garden to meet at least part of the family's vegetable needs around the year.

This advice to thrift and productivity may sound somewhat strange to ears that for two decades have heard the ribald voices of crackpot theorists shouting that the nation was cursed and our economy menaced by too much food, that the less we produced the more prosperous and contented we would be. On the contrary we live in an era when alarming uncertainty about our next month's or next year's food supply is about the most certain thing on our horizons. Self - sustenance, therefore, should be the predominant American slogan as we plan our 1953 program of food production.

What are the first most important steps toward next year's garden?

Regardless of the garden's size, coldframe space will be needed. Frames should be built during mild periods and be ready to operate by the middle of January.

If vegetable plants are to be grown at home, a hotbed will be almost indispensable. Where fresh horse manure is no longer procurable, a simple and efficient electrically heated bed may be practical and profitable. Often the original cost may be returned in revenue from sales of plants to neighbors. Such a hotbed should be ready to use by the middle of January.

Gardening without a plentiful supply of organic matter is difficult. To hold moisture throughout long rainless periods in summer and to otherwise promote vigorous crop growth, soils must be deeply mellowed with organic matter. Livestock manure is the most useful form although were no manure is obtainable decayed leaves, grass and other vegetation may be utilized to deepen and enrich shallow or heavy loams.

In many cases lack of knowledge is the chief barrier to growing a profitable garden. To afford prospective gardeners time to procure and study helpful literature, the editor suggests that readers write their Congressman for any of the following instructive publications available from the government. Please do not request these from the editor because he has no copies for free distribution with these:

F. 1439 - Diseases Of Cabbage
F. 1563 - Growing Cucumbers
F. 1646 - Asparagus Culture
F. 1673 - The Farm Garden
F. 1743 - Hotbeds and Coldframes
F. 1881 - Potato Diseases
F. 1934 - Tomato Diseases
L. 125 - Production of Carrots
L. 126 - Production of Rhubarb
L. 127 - Culture of Table Beets
L. 128 - Production of Spinach
L. 131 - Production of Eggplant
L. 135 - Production of Salsify
L. 140 - Production of Peppers
L. 142 - Turnips and Rutabagas
L. 143 - Production of Kale

FBI IS ORDERED INTO PROBE OF WATERFRONT

By DON SANDERS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI has been ordered by Atty. Gen. McGranery to move into the investigation of the New York waterfront, pictured in sworn testimony before the New York State Crime Commission as the focus of gangster terrorism.

Commission witnesses have described the waterfront as the locale of widespread bribery, extortion, shakedowns and strong arm tactics.

McGranery announced late yesterday that he was directing the FBI to undertake a federal investigation immediately.

Sufficient Evidence

"The Department of Justice," he said, "which has been watching the New York waterfront situation for months, now has sufficient evidence of federal law violations to warrant a full-scale investigation."

McGranery did not go into details in his statement, and Justice Department officials declined to elaborate.

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey declined comment, but in New York the chief investigator for the State Crime Commission, Joseph Kaitz, said the group would offer to the FBI "any and all assistance and information."

Dewey's long-time close associate, Herbert Brownell, is slated to replace McGranery as attorney general when the Eisenhower administration takes over Jan. 20.

Dewey, who instigated the State Crime Commission, has called the situation it spotlighted on the waterfront "a stench in the nostrils of the community." The commission has no power to punish wrongdoers but it can seek remedial legislation in Albany.

Its aim in the waterfront probe has been to seek background on dock rackets which are bleeding an estimated 350 million dollars annually from New York City's seven billion dollar a year shipping industry.

W-G-E-T Programs

TODAY'S SCHEDULE
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5:15- 5:30—Letters To Santa
5:45- 6:00—Dick Haymes Show
6:00- 6:05—News
6:05- 6:15—Community Calendar
6:15- 6.30—Behind the News
6:30- 7:00—Dinner Date
7:00- 7:05—News
7:05- 7:15—Spotlight on Sports
7:15- 7:30—National Guard Show
7:30- 7:45—Freedom, Our Business
7:45- 8:00—Medal of Honor
8:00- 8:30—Holly and Hearth
8:30- 8:45—Lean Back and Listen
8:45- 9:00—Holland Calling
9:00- 9:30—Miracle of the Manger
9:30-10:00—Music of the Masters
10:00-10:05—News
10:05-11:00—Dance Date
11:00-Sign off—St. James Lutheran Church Service

THURSDAY'S PROGRAMS

6:00- 6:05—News
6:05- 6:45—Farmers' Serenade
6:45- 7:00—Chapel by Side of Road
7:00- 7:05—News
7:05- 7:30—Top O' The Morning
7:30- 7:35—Sports
7:35- 8:00—Top O' the Morning
8:00- 8:05—News
8:10- 8:45—Top O' the Morning
8:45- 9:00—Morning Devotions
9:00- 9:15—Bob Eberly Show
9:15- 9:30—Music by Morgan
9:30-10:00—Syncopated Serenade
10:00-10:05—News
10:05-10:15—Adams Co. News
10:15-10:30—That Wonderful Feeling
10:30-10:55—Homemaker Harmonies
10:55-11:00—News
11:00-11:15—Sacred Heart
11:15-11:45—Mt. St. Mary's Seminary Choir
11:45-12:00—Farm Agent
12:00-12:05—News
12:05-12:10—Market Reports
12:10-12:15—Weather Summary
12:15-12:30—Farm News
12:30-12:45—Sparky Jackpot
12:45- 1:00—Adams Co. Jubilee
1:00- 1:30—Emmitsburg Choir
1:30- 1:45—Christmas Music
1:45- 1:55—Adams Co. News
2:00- 2:30—Christmas Lane
2:30- 3:00—Christmas Music
3:00- 3:15—News
3:15- 3:30—Let's Go To Town
3:30- 4:00—Music for Thursday
4:05- 4:55—Campus Capers
4:55- 5:00—News
5:00- 5:45—Campus Capers
5:45- 6:00—Eileen Lightner Show
6:00- 6:05—News
6:05- 6:15—Community Calendar
6:15- 6:30—Behind the News
6:30- 7:00—Dinner Date
7:00- 7:05—News
7:05- 7:15—Spotlight on Sports
7:15- 7:30—The Three Suns
7:30- 7:45—Marine Story
7:45- 8:00—Here's To Veterans
8:00- 8:15—Navy Band
8:15- 8:30—Voice of America
8:30- 8:45—Lean Back and Listen
8:45- 9:00—Songs of France
9:00- 9:05—News
9:05-10:00—Music of the Masters
10:00-11:00—Dance Date
11:00-11:05—News
11:05-12:00—Sleepytime Serenade

2 Young Sledders Drown In Pond

RUSH, Pa. (AP) — Two young brothers rode their sleds down a snowy hill to their deaths in an icy farm pond.

John Owen, 15, and his brother, Paul, 10, downed on Monday after John's sled had broken through thin ice over the pond. Paul was close behind, and his sled dropped through the same hole.

Another brother, Laverne, 9, ran three-fourths of a mile to tell his father of the accident. Firemen recovered the bodies about an hour and a half later.

The youngsters were among the 12 children of Mr. and Mrs. Acto F. Owen, a farmer of Rush Township, Susquehanna County.

Coroner W. Stuart Holmes of Jackson called the deaths accidental.

A/2C Charles H. Ford Jr., has been promoted to A/1C and is spending a 15-day furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Ford Sr., W. Middle St.

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BARROOM BOMB BRINGS DEATH TO YOUNG MARINE

NEW YORK (AP) — Three young servicemen—one of whom police said wanted to "show these spics something"—discharged a phosphorus bomb in a crowded tavern early Tuesday. The action touched off events which brought death to one of them and injuries to 14 others.

Thirteen of the injured were in the tavern.

A few minutes later, and eight blocks away, police shot and fatally wounded one of the servicemen, identified as Marine Sgt. James Eugene McDermott, 19. He died in a hospital.

During the chase and scuffle which led to the capture of McDermott and one of his companions, a patrolman allegedly was knifed by McDermott to bring the injured count to 14.

Only three of the 14 injured, including a federal narcotics agent and a second patrolman, both hurt in the blast, were kept at hospitals after treatment.

Bigotry Is Blamed

Police said bigotry detonated the violence in an Upper West Side Manhattan area partly inhabited by a large number of Puerto Ricans. Eight of those injured in the bar had Spanish names.

(The term "spics" is a derogatory word sometimes used to describe Americans of Spanish origin.)

Officials said the three servicemen—a sailor in uniform and an airman and marine, both in civilian clothes—were drinking in the bar on Columbus Ave. at 103rd St. when one of the trio pulled out the explosive, a grenade filled with phosphorus. All three then fled in a waiting taxi.

Two off-duty policemen in the vicinity at the time chased the trio to 96th and Broadway, where the marine and airman were caught. The sailor escaped.

Cops On Alert

Police said this is what happened:

Three patrolmen, on their way home from work, passed by the tavern, "The Royal Flush," and noticed the airman hailing a taxi. The officers suspected a holdup and followed the airman, identified as Mark Sutter, 19, into the bar.

Sutter joined his two companions while the patrolmen watched from a distance. The officers said they saw McDermott pull the bomb from his clothes and heard him say: "I'll show these spics something."

With that, he pulled the pin from the grenade—used by the armed forces as either an incendiary or flare—and sent it rolling like a ball of fire toward the bar.

The three servicemen then fled and jumped in the taxi.

One of the off-duty policemen, John Dahill, 25, was burned; but the other two—Vincent Beckels, 28, and John Hurson—followed in Beckels' automobile which was parked nearby.

Patrolman Is Knifed

Beckels and Hurson caught the car at Broadway and 96th St. and forced it to the curb. The sailor, later identified as Patrick Shanah fled. Sutter surrendered. But McDermott pulled out a hunting knife and slashed Beckels' right hand.

The injured patrolman fell to the street as he managed to fire a shot. The bullet struck McDermott in the head. The two patrolmen had fired three other shots during the chase.

Here's a delicious holiday breakfast menu: Broiled grapefruit, scrambled eggs with browned sausage links, homemade coffee cake and coffee. To prepare the grapefruit, cut in halves and sprinkle each half with a tablespoon of brown sugar before putting under the broiler to heat. Garnish by putting a dab of green mint jelly and a red maraschino cherry in the center of each.

East Berlin

EAST BERLIN — Mrs. William Fissel and family, York, formerly Miss Verna C. Hollinger, this place, will entertain the family at a Christmas dinner party at her home, when her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hollinger, with other relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spangler, will join the Hollingers' other daughters, Mrs. Philip Wantz, Upper Darby, and Mrs. Earl Kauffman, Wilmington, Del., and their husbands.

Mrs. Richard O. Riggs and family will entertain at Christmas dinner for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Shetter, and their entire family with the exception of the eldest son, Merl R. Shetter, and his wife, who will be unable to arrive from Pittsburgh. The youngest Shetter boy, Jim, a sophomore at Trinity college, Hartford, Conn., arrived home for the holidays last week.

The recently-instituted custom of spending the last Sunday of the year as a day of prayer for the welfare of those behind the "Iron Curtain" and those suffering religious and political persecution in foreign lands will be followed again on Sunday, December 28, by members of Paradise Catholic parish who will begin by receiving Holy Communion at Sunday masses for that intention. After mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar for the day and parishioners are asked to visit the church at variou times throughout the day, at their own convenience, for private prayer.

The day's spiritual program will be closed in the evening with a Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Protectory chapel will be the site of the principal devotions, with Holy Hour at 7 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis A. Eisenhart will entertain all of their children and grandchildren at Christmas dinner, with the exception of the eldest daughter, Mrs. Max Rais, and her husband, who live in the midwest. Since last Christmas, another granddaughter, Carole Jean Myers, daughter of Robert and Martha M. Eisenhart Myers, has been born, and the Myers family will attend with the baby. Mrs. Myers' twin sister, Mary, with her husband, William E. Altland, and their year-old daughter, Debora, are spending the holidays between the homes of the Eisenharts and the young man's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Altland. Altland is a senior at Penn State.

The Lancaster chapter, Knights of Columbus, presented an order to the Rev. Francis L. Mignot, chaplain of Paradise Protectory, for 100 pairs of bedroom slippers to be presented as a Christmas gift to the Protectory boys. The order was taken by a local shoe store. Shoes were also given as a Christmas gift, a pair to a boy, along with another gift, and a turkey dinner and entertainment in the auditorium of the Protectory on Sunday by the Knights of Columbus from York.

Sgt. William E. Mixon, who has been in England for more than a year with the Air Corps, is spending the holidays with his father, James L. Mixon, R. 2, having arrived on a 30-day furlough. Before his return to duty, Sgt. Mixon will leave for North Carolina to be married to Miss Dorothy Butler who resides there. His sister, Josephine, married last March to Elmer Ray Clayton, Baton Rouge, La., also an airman, is residing near his present post at Corpus Christi, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper J. Philips have learned their son, John, recently inducted into the army, has been at Ft. Meade, Md., for special tests, after which he will spend some time in basic training.

Mrs. Paul Fahs, Mrs. Melvin R. Baker and Mrs. H. Fred Myers, will be among the members of the large family of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chubb Sr., Hanover R. 3, formerly of here, to be entertained at Christmas dinner at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Lau have received word their elder son, Elvin C. Lau, recently inducted into the army and spending several days at Ft. Meade for assignment, has now left for basic training at a Texas post. His brother, Wayne, a freshman in the physical education department of West Chester State Teachers College, has arrived to spend the Christmas recess at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Burgard, Rheems, recently became the parents of a daughter, Brenda. Mr. Burgard's father, Granville L. Burgard, West York, formerly of here, visited local relatives over the weekend.

Alfred Brady, a former resident of Paradise Protectory, who has been with the army in Korea for some time, has returned to the States for re-assignment and at present is spending the holidays with his former classmates at the Protectory.

The Christmas program of the elementary schools of Paradise Twp. some of which are in this section was presented Friday evening in the Lutheran parish house at Abbottstown with the public as guests. Refreshments were served afterward by the Parent-Teacher Association of Paradise Twp. Women of the association represented their group last week at a Christmas party of the York County Council of Parent-Teachers Associations at York. They were: Mrs. Martin Winters, Mrs. Harry Bollinger, Mrs. Raymond Altland, Mrs. Maurice Arendt and Mrs. Charles Burgard.

Word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Guy Musselman, Stillman Valley, Ill, formerly of near Germany schoolhouse, that their eldest son, H. Grant Musselman, discharged Army veteran, has been a surgical patient at an Illinois hospital. The young man is improving satisfactorily. Their younger sons, Leonard and Lee, are in the armed forces, Leonard having been serving in France and Lee aboard a ship in the Atlantic. Leonard writes to his parents that he will spend Christmas in England with his sister, Rosella, and her husband, an American airman stationed in that country.

W. H. Royer, near Bermudian, has been a patient at the Carlisle Hospital.



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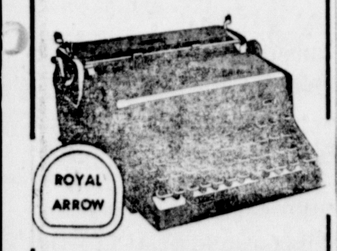
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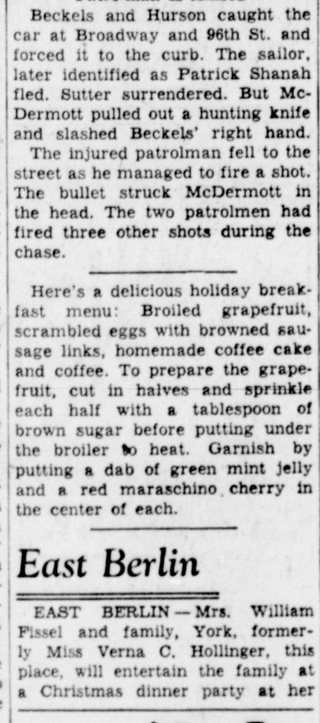
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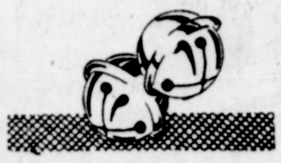


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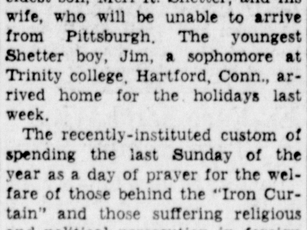


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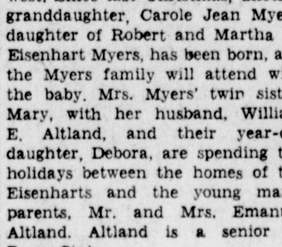
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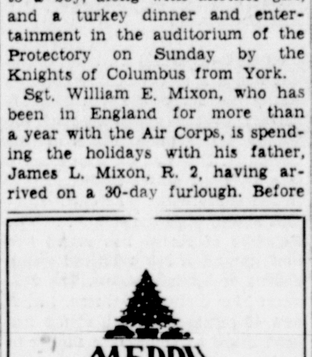


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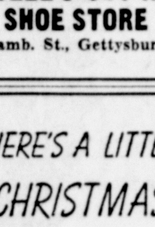


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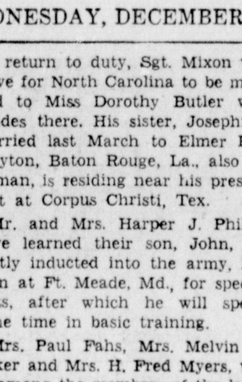


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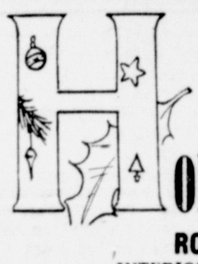
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SAYS PARENTS IGNORANT ON SAFETY RULES

By DAVID TAYLOR MARKE
The Associated Press

How much do you, as a parent, know about safety in the home for children?

Mrs. Ellen McAinsh, who is counselor for Women's Safety of the American Mutual Liability Insurance Company and an expert on safety with children, particularly around the house, says that you know very little.

In a "Safe At Home" quiz which her company conducted among 1,800 adults, the average score was only 52.3 per cent, hardly a passing grade in school. Yet, he says, the people who make such low scores are in effect given license to run a home and supervise the safety of their children.

For example, how would you answer the following questions:

1. Name three precautions that you should take in storing in the home such poisons as iodine, lye, insecticides, etc.

2. If you found your child unconscious because of electric shock and still in contact with a live wire, how would you break that contact?

3. If Junior suffered a minor burn, would you use butter or a salve?

4. Assume it's bath time for a youngster under three. What do you feel are the most imporant precautious to be observed?

Knowhow Is Safety

Knowing what to do in each instance may spell the difference between safety and tragedy, she says.

The three precautious to take with poisons are (a) to lock them up, or put a pin in the cork or label; (b) store out of children's reach and (c) destroy all empty poison bottles and poisons no longer to be used.

To break an electric contact, she suggests you move the wire away from the body with a dry stick or heavy garment, then shut off the current.

For minor burn salve sould be used since butter contains salt, which irritates burns.

Finally, while bathing a youngster under three always have someone stay with him to prevent drowing and make sure the water is not too hot.

Simple, aren't they? Yet there is a child injured every eight seconds and one death every 19 minutes, caused by a home accident, she says.

In the 1-5 year age group, accidents killed as many children as did contagious diseases, including polio, scarlet fever, whooping cough, measles, etc. And for every accident that killed a child, there were between 90 and 150 severe injuries.

Many Suffocations

Mrs. McAinsh points out that mechanical suffocation accounted for 1,400 accidents last year in the under-four-years-old age bracket. It includes suffocation by such means as bedclothes and pillows, harnesses and sleeping garments. Many suffocations are actually due to the failure of a parent to recognize that their child is suffering from an acute respiratory infection, she says. Also many children suffer suffocation from swallowing objects such as nipples or pacifiers, safety pins, buttons, marbles, and trimmings such as bells, buttons used for eye on dolls, etc.

All these carelessly left within the reach of the child are causes for deaths and injuries. Mothers can prevent such situations by taking the proper precautious, she says.

Another major cause of home accidents among children are falls. They fall out of unprotected chairs or beds, or from tables which are left unattended. Many fall from top-heavy or unbalanced high-chairs. Unprotected windows, stairs and cellars are a great danger. In the country, children have been killed falling down unprotected old wells, she points out.

Mrs. McAinsh stresses the need for mothers to make sure that the textiles in children's clothes are non-flammable. Playsuits, such as cowboy or Indian suits, and children's party dresses of flimsy material should all be flameproofed.

The time spent in setting up safeguards is worth more than the tragedy of havnig to say, " I only left the baby for a minute," she says.

Legislature Faces Grid T-V Problem

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The Minnesota legislature, meeting in January, is scheduled to get another proposal which would force the University of Minnesota to permit telecasts of athletic events.

Rep. D. D. Wozniak, St. Paul, says he will introduce a bill calling for the telecasts. A similar proposal before the 1951 legislature died in committee.

Wozniak notified Ike Armstrong, university athletic director, of his plans. Armstrong referred Wozniak to the school's television agreements with the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and the Western Conference (Big Ten) and added that athletic receipts, rather than taxes, support the physical education program.

MOSCOW (AP) — Twenty-six new tea factories are being built in the Georgian Republic of the U. S. S. R. An announcement says they are designed to process 78,000 tons of leaf per year and are being built in the tea growing regions.

Stamp News

By SYD KRONISH

THE COMMUNIST regime of China is issuing special commemorative stamps to honor the second anniversary of the entrance of its armed forces into the Korean war.

A recent Commnuist broadcast picked up in San Francisco by The Associated Press said the new issue would consist of four designs: "Entry of Chinese Peoples Volunteers into the Korean War(greenish blue); Support front (red); Volunteers cross river in pursuit of enemy (blue); Chinese Peoples Volunteers and the Korean peoples army join forces (brown)."

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YUGOSLAVIA has isued two stamps for Red Cross Week. The 50-dinars gray and red is for regular postage. It shows a nurse seated before a table on which there is a Red Cross sign.

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STAMPS NOTES . . . Venezuela has issued a new 1-bolivar carmine stamp to mark the 300th anniversary of the appearance of the Virgin Mary to a chief of the Cormotos. Depicted on the adhesive is a religious portrait with an arc in the background. The dates 1652-1952 appear atop the stamp . . . The Republic of Korea has issued two new stamps. A 500-weun red stamp depicts an ancient statue. The 200-weun blue pictures a shrine. . . . A new 40-centavos airmail stamp has been issued by Chile. It is similar to the previous airmail adhesives of that country .

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THE FRENCH colony of St. Pierre and Miquelon (two small groups of islands off the southern coast of Newfoundland) has issued two new stamps in its regular series, reports the New York Stamp Co. The same design of a silver fox on a rocky precipice appears on both adhesives. The 8-franc is brown and the 17-fr is blue.

TO COMMENORATE the centenary of the first postage stamp of Thurn and Taxis, the Western Zone of Germany has issued a special bi-colored stamp.

Ex-Farmhand Wins Top Racing Spot

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — William R. (Billy) Haughton, 29-year old ex-farmhand from Fultonville, N. Y., is the nation's leading money-winning harness horse driver for 1952. Billy is the youngest reinsman ever to win the title.

According to official U. S. Trotting Association records, Haughton earned $311,728 this year. This figure has been topped only once in the history of the sport — by Johnny Simpson who collected $333,136 last season. Simpson finished 10th in '52.

WARREN, Ark. (AP) — An elderly Negro couple appeared before Judge W. A. Baker, Warren's "marrying justice of the peace," and explained that they had once been engaged to be married but the plans were changed and they were just now getting around to it. Then they gave him their marriage license. The license had been issued in 1909.

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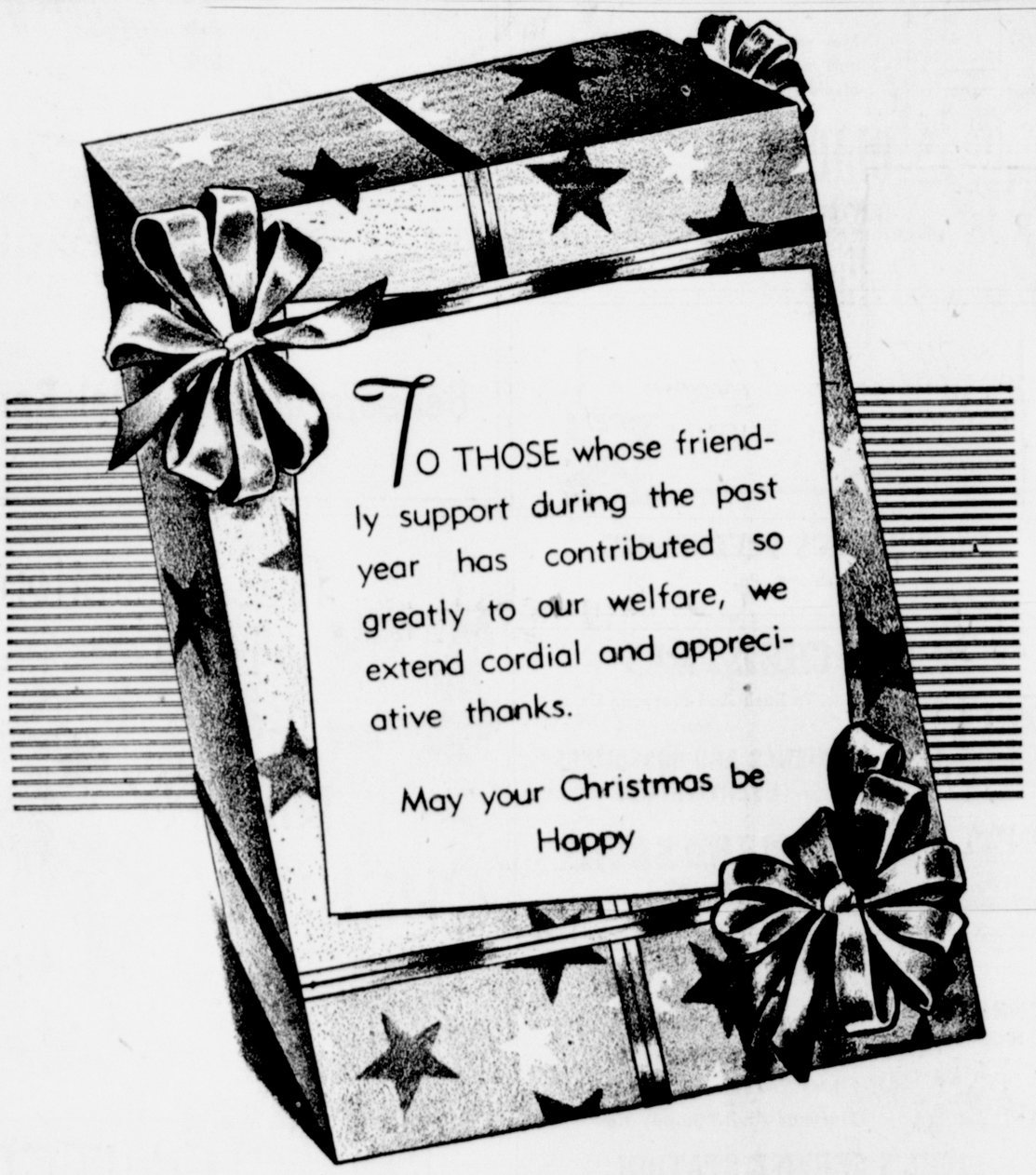


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Election Of Eisenhower Was Biggest Story Of Year, With Korean Situation Second

By WARREN BENNETT
The Associated Press

The biggest news story of 1952 was the election of General Dwight David Eisenhower as 33rd President of the United States. The year marked achievement of another VE-Day for the much-decorated war hero. The first came May 7, 1945, with victory in Europe over the Nazis.

The second occurred last November 4 with victory on Election Day over the New and Fair Deal standard bearers. Ballots not bullets decided the issue in the second "great crusade."

In his march to the Presidency, the 62-year-old general carried every objective. He rolled up more popular votes than any other president in history (33 million); he cracked the Solid South (Va., Fla., Tenn. and Tex.), and swept the Republican Party into control of both houses of Congress. He carried 39 states with 442 electoral votes to his opponent's nine states and 89 electoral votes. It was one of the great personal triumphs in political history.

No other story even ranked close in The Associated Press year-end poll of newspaper and radio editors from coast to coast. Newsmen gave it the top spot by better than a 2-1 margin.

The Top Ten

1. Eisenhower wins Presidency.
2. Steel strike.
3. Korean war and truce talks.
4. Ike beats Taft for GOP nomination.
5. Britain gets a queen.
6. The Flying Enterprise.
7. H-bomb and atomic development.
8. Probes of corruption in government.
9. Democrats draft Stevenson.
10. Nixon's TV accounting to the people.

Stories which just failed to make the Top 10 classification were, in order, the epidemic of prison riots, floods in the south and midwest, N. Y. Yankees' fourth successive world series victory, new labor leadership caused by the deaths of Murray and Green, and the nationwide polio epidemic.

A Constitutional Question

Labor disputes in key industries generally depress the whole national economy. The steel strike this year affected not only national security but the whole structure of economic controls and, before it was through, a far-reaching question of the emergency powers of the President under the Constitution.

Late last year and this spring the United Steelworkers of America (CIO) four times postponed strike calls backing up demands for wage increases, a guaranteed annual income, union shop and other fringe benefits.

Pitted against each other were Philip Murray, CIO president and head of the steel union, and Benjamin Fairless, head of U.S. Steel Corp., and spokesman in negotiations for the industry.

On March 20, the Wage Stabilization Board announced its decision. The union accepted the terms but the steel industry refused unless permitted an increase in steel prices. The union was set to strike but President Truman in a nationwide radio and television broadcast denounced the steel firms for failing to accept the WSB decision and announced he was seizing the mills for the government.

Mr. Truman declared he was acting in the public interest during a national emergency under inherent powers granted him in the Constitution. The Supreme Court of the United States, in a precedent-making 6-3 decision, declared the presidential seizure illegal. The ruling placed a definite limit upon the Chief Executive's inherent powers and settled an historic issue of constitutional law.

A 54-day steel strike followed, ending on July 24, but not before the walkout had cost the nation an estimated 18 million tons of steel.

Korean Paradox

For the U.S., the Korean war already has lasted longer than World War I. This country alone has suffered more than 126,000 casualties — more than the combined total of casualties in U. S. history except for the Civil War and World Wars I and II.

Each day the "little war" continues is a threat to survival of the United Nations, still infant international peace organization. Each day of fighting also increases the possibility of setting off World War III.

Hopes rose as President-elect Eisenhower made a three-day trip to Korea fulfilling a campaign pledge but the deadlock continued in truce talks at Panmunjom and in the U. N. where the latest compromise attempts were spurned by Russia. One issue —voluntary return of prisoners— was all apparently that delayed a cease-fire but the U. S. said it could not, in honor, agree to abandonment of that principle.

Ike Versus Taft

Rivalry between Eisenhower and Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio, brewing all spring through primary and state convention skirmishes, exploded on television screens across the country with the opening of the GOP convention in Chicago. Millions of voters saw for the first time a camera's eye view of a fight to the political death. It was breath-taking; it was cruel, crude and elemental; it was politics.

London's bells tolled the death of King George VI February 6 while the Princess Elizabeth was substituting for her father on a royal tour. The news caught up with her in Africa and she hastily flew home to ascend the throne of Britain.

Amid the medieval pomp and pageantry of royal succession which will not be completed until the coronation next June, Britons refer fondly to the legend that England waxes fat and prosperous under a queen. During the 45-reign of the first Elizabeth 350 years ago, Britain became a leading maritime and world power. Under Queen Victoria, who died in 1901, the empire extended over nearly a quarter of the globe.

Man Against The Sea

The story of Captain Kurt Carlsen of the Flying Enterprise is a throwback to the days of heroic adventure. The world cheered as the gallant skipper fought to save his crippled ship from the grim North Atlantic. The ordeal continued two weeks until on January 10 the ship foundered, with Carlson leaping overboard just before it went down. The captain came home to a hero's welcome which embarrassed him mightily; he went back to sea on another ship as soon as possible.

This year was the last of a whole generation of Democratic control of the federal government. Probes of government agencies such as the Internal Revenue Bureau turned up evidence of corruption and laxity. The revelagave Republicans two of their campaign slogans: "the mess in Washington" and "It's time for a change"

New Democratic Star

Gov. Adlai Stevenson was virtually a political unknown outside his state of Illinois before the Democratic convention in Chicago. When it was over, Stevenson was the Democratic candidate for president. He conducted a new kind of campaign in which humor played hob with the nation's political center of gravity. Stevenson won 26 million votes, more than any ever given a loser. When it was over, the Illinois governor said it reminded him of what Lincoln had once said after losing an election. He quoted Lincoln as saying: "I felt like a little boy who stubbed his toe in the dark. He was too old to cry and it hurt too much to laugh.' "

Undoubtedly the most dramatic single incidnet of the presidential campaign was the appearance before a national television audience by GOP Veep candidiate Richard Nixon to give a personal accounting of a private expense account donated by fellow Californians for his use as a senator. His explanation set an emotional peak for the campaign and succeeded in changing a political liability into an asset.



MASTERFUL GUIDING HAND—Marsha Hunt, eight-year-old elephant trainer, puts Rahnee through its paces at workout in father's circus winter quarters, Florence, N. J.



FOLLOW THE STAR

It is a custom of centuries to place a candle in the window on Christmas Eve to light the way for the Christ Child. It is a beautiful custom—this following the light which leads to the Manger of Bethlehem and the tiny Babe who lies therein.

It is significant that no matter what great strides science has made, no matter how man has progressed, when the great Feast of Christmas comes, there is in the hearts of all of us a nostalgic longing for the days of our childhood.

Throughout the years we are perhaps a little selfish, a little unheeding of the distress in the lives of those around us, but at Christmas a subtle change creeps in. It is as if the tiny Babe reaches out and touches our hearts with the alchemy of His love. Selfishness and greed have no dark place in which to breed their insidious evil when the Light of the World shines forth.

What a world this would be if the Spirit of the Christ Child would remain with us always. There would be no bitter quarreling, no selfish exploitation, no misery such as we see in the world today.

In this great land of ours where the blessings of God have been so patiently bestowed upon us, we should be very grateful and very humble. No matter how our bungling efforts seem to meet with failure, we should follow the light that leads to Bethlehem and look up and see His Star and know that all is well.

For a little while let us forget the selfishness, the heartlessness of men, and follow the shepherds to the lonely manger wherein the Light of the World is cradled.

For a little while let us see with the eyes of children and love with the hearts of little ones so that on Christmas the Christ Child may find a warm welcome in our hearts.

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In The "Eerie Stillness" Of Christmas Morning Will Larry Play His Flute On The Mount?

(Continued from Page 1)

of yesterday, not knowing that they, too, would one day become a legend.

The students from the college liked to drop in to chat with Larry. As he grew older they teased him a little, but they loved him. And if he were in a "good humor," the gallant beau who always led the figures in local dances would entertain his young friends with selections on his fiddle; but if he were in a romantic mood, Larry would pipe away on his flute and the boys and girls would join him in a merry chorus of their own. To them, he was the "Pied Piper of the Mountain."

Happy At Christmas

Larry was growing older but the "mount" was changed but little. There was the winding road at the edge of the foothills . . . the verdant valley flung at one's feet, a carpet of flowers in spring, vast drifts of ermine in the winter. Ah, winter, that was Larry's favorite time of year. Especially at Christmas was he happy. It was all because of the flute, we think.

He didn't talk as much as he used to and he stayed more to himself. Some thought the tall, gaunt man with the stooping shoulders and shaggy head was a little sad. Was he remembering other years or was he thinking that the day was coming when he would have to leave his loved mountain? There was so much here he had known and loved . . . the little brooks and bridges . . . the historic homes where he had danced as a young boy, "Clairvaux" . . . "Montevilla" . . . "Pleasant Level" . . . and "San Moreno" . . . the grey stone fortress against the blue hills known as "The Mount" where he had studied and where the memory of his famous musician father still lingered . . . the quaint village of Emmitsburg neither North nor South, but placed sentimentally somewhere in between . . . the boys of the neighborhood . . . the sweethearts, the girls he called his own with red cheeks and shining plaits tied with bright bows. . . . But little by little these things slipped from him and all he could do was sit alone in his store while he warmed his feet on the rim of the old coal stove.

Best Loved Melody

Larry's best-loved melody was his father's Christmas hymn, which was composed at Mount St. Mary's many years ago, "With Glory Lit The Midnight Air." The selection has become a "must" on the Christmas repertoire at the college and, indeed in the vicinity of Emmitsburg in other churches and homes. In those days there was always snow, it seemed, great drifts of it piled high outside one's door, and people who lived off the main roads were snowed in for weeks.

One Christmas, and this was many years ago, people were preparing to climb the twisting path that wended its way through pines and laurel up to the "old church on the hill," the parish church of the neighborhood which was also the chapel of Mount St. Mary's College, to attend early morning Mass.

"An Unearthly Stillness"

It was an especially cold night . . . the snow was silver in the moonlight . . . shadows from tall cedars lay on the hard crust like blue spikes. There was an unearthly stillness on the earth, peculiar to Christmas, especially when the hour of dawn approaches. Suddenly a thin, piercing, sweet sound filled the air. Was it real and where did it come from? The people wondered. Doors were opened. Mothers wrapped in fringed shawls ran out to listen . . . children were half-frightened . . . oldests waited for a little until they were sure and then they knew! The haunting strains of "With Glory Lit" were coming from somewhere on the mountain. Could it, indeed, be Larry? Dear old man . . . he who was surely too old and frail to climb such a steep hill. But it was, and they listened to the weird but angelic sounds coming from the mountain cemetery, for that is where Larry was standing, near his father's grave alone on a hill.

He looked old but his heart was young and he lived for many a day after that.

Every year the mountain waited for the sound of his flute on Christmas morn. They never forgot to listen and the music was always there, floating over the mount and valley like the music from another world.

Too Weak To Play

Then, Christmas came again The people were dressed and waiting to climb the hill again for mass. They wrapped themselves in furs and mittens and, with children by the hand, stood outside and waited. And they waited for a long time but the flute was silent. Foreboding filled the air. They climbed the hill to the cemetery, mantled with the blue-white snow of winter, and there they found him. The music was in his heart but he was too weak to play the flute. They led him down the hill to his little cottage where he died shortly afterwards.

People say the flute is no more. that Larry is dead. But ask any native, any one born and bred in Emmitsburg, if he has ever heard Larry's flute on Christmas. He will say "Of course I've heard it! Every time the great pipe organs of today resound with the strains of 'With Glory Lit the Midnight Air, Bright Angels Hovering Near, . . .' every time children pipe it from their young throats, Larry is playing his flute."

And there are others who will look at you with a strange expression and tell you that they've really heard the ghost-flute on the mountain. They will tell you how Larry comes back every Christmas Eve to wish all true Emmitsburgians a Happy Christmas with his phantom music. We wonder if he will play the flute this year. . . MLC



GIVING FORTH— Herbert P. Hunt, 87-year-old baritone chorister, sings at St. Matthias' Episcopal Church, Los Angeles. He has been a member of choirs for 72 years.

Schoolboys Honestly Fix Football Game

STUTTGART, Ark. (AP) — Members of the Stuttgart High School football team admit conspiring to fix the score of a game in the Arkansas championship playoffs—but it was perfectly honest.

A couple of days before the game with Marked Tree, Stuttgart Coach Ned Mosely observed his 37th birthday and remarked jokingly to his players that it would be nice for them to give him a present of 37 points.

Late in the fourth quarter, Stuttgart was leading 37-0 on six touchdowns and, as carefully planned, only one conversion. Bob Harshaw, a back, broke into the clear on a long run. He stopped inches short of the goal and handed the ball to an official.

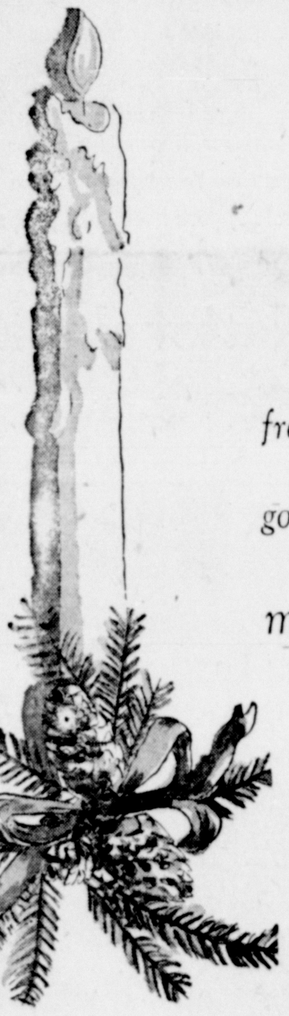
Final score: Stuttgart 37, Marked Tree 0.

Former Preacher Likes Lecturing

ROCHESTER, N. Y. (AP) — Robert Kazmayer is a preacher-turned-lecturer who doesn't think he'll ever go back to the pulpit

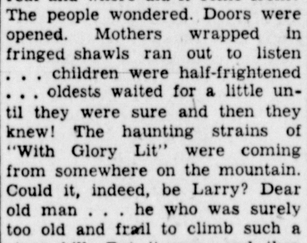
Formerly pastor of the Monroe Avenue Methodist Church here the 44-year-old lecturer now faces more than 200 audiences annually. He lectures on world affairs. He also publishes a newsletter for businessmen and conducts seminars in which business and professional men tour Europe.




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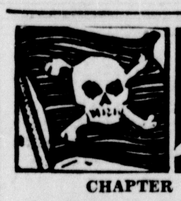
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Santa and the PIRATES

AP Newsfeatures

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CHAPTER XVI

A Merry Christmas

It was Christmas eve in the Kingdom of Fairvania. But not a stocking was hung. Not a tree was decorated. Not a gift was wrapped.

The people expected no Christmas this year — or perhaps ever again. For the King must lose his kingdom to the strange creature named Lubi because he could not pay his debt of 20,000 pieces of gold.

The King sat now in his palace surrounded by his sorrowing ministers.

"Perhaps Prince Jonathan will save us yet," the ministers said. But they knew they were fooling themselves for no word had been heard from the Prince since he had sailed away three weeks before.

But now as they sat there a messenger came running to the King.

"A ship! A ship is at the wharf!"

"It's the Prince!" cried the King's people and all ran joyfully from the palace.

The King himself, trembling with hope, snatched up a spy glass and climbed to the topmost turret of his castle. He peered anxiously across the city and saw the ship at the wharf.

"My son!" wept the King with joy.

But when he raised the spy glass to his eye and peered more closely at the ship his heart sank. For it was a foreign ship and not Prince Jonathan's at all.



Then a great tree was raised in the palace yard. And all the children and all the grownups danced and sang.

The spy glass fell from the King's hand. The disappointment staggered him. He stumbled down the steps to his room.

There, sitting on the King's own throne, sat Lubi himself come to claim his 20,000 pieces of gold.

"Have you my gold?" asked Lubi.

"I cannot pay you," moaned the King.

"Then I shall have your kingdom!" retorted Lubi.

"What will happen to my people?" cried the grieving King.

"They will be my slaves," smiled the ugly creature.

Suddenly there were shouts in the palace courtyard. Footsteps pounded through the corridors. Hands beat on the door to the King's room.

"Open up! Open up!"

The doors crashed open. In marched a pirate band bearing a massive sea chest. Behind them came Prince Jonathan surrounded by a shouting crowd.

"What is this?" cried Lubi springing from the throne.

"My father's ransom," said the smiling Prince and he flipped open the chest.

Lubi's eyes popped to see the fortune glittering there.

"Count him out 20,000 pieces of gold," the Prince ordered his men.

The the Prince embraced his overjoyed father. The people shouted and laughed and cried. When Lubi's gold was counted out the strange creature vanished and was never again seen in that land.

The pirates said, "There is till a fortune left. What shall we do with that?"

"It is for my father," said the Prince.

The King said, "Then I give it to all my people for whatever is mine is theirs forevermore."

So the laughing people helped themselves to the diamond necklaces and rubied crowns and sapphire rings; the gold plates and pearl brooches; the silver and ivory; and all the other treasures there.

Then a great tree was raised in the palace yard and decorated with sparkling lights. And all the children and all the grownups danced and sang. Food appeared. Musicians played. Clowns cavorted. Oh, nothing like it had been seen before in Fairvania!

The King and his son stood watching from the balcony above the courtyard. At the stroke of midnight the people cried, "Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas!"

Between the shouts Prince Jonathan suddenly heard the far away tinkle of sleigh bells in the sky.

"Merry Christmas!" shouted the Price.

And he could have sworn he heard a well known voice from the clear midnight sky shout in return, "A Merry Christmas to all!"

(The End

Grandma Parton, 74, Rings Xmas Bell

DENVER (AP) — For the 36th time "Grandma" Parton is doing her annual stint of standing on a street corner with her Salvation Army kettle and soliciting coins to help provide a happy Christmas for the needy.

Mrs. Nancy Parton, 74, firmly believes people are becoming more generous and have less rancor in their hearts. Last year was her best season. "I feel that I'm just a small cog in a big machine which is grinding out good for the world. That's why I really enjoy ringing the bell every year," she said.

She has reared nine children and now has 28 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

American Luxury Surprises German

DALLAS (AP) — The luxury of American living as expressed by the numbers of automobiles, television sets, individual private homes and modern appliances in use by all income groups has surprised a visting German newspaper editor.

Horst Altmann, 30, of Kiel, Germany, is studying social and living conditions in the United States under a State Department program. "The immense numbers of cars crowding your streets could not be imagined by the European," he said.

PUBLICITY SCORED

PARIS (AP) — A DeGaullist deputy has asked the French Parliament to adopt legislation limiting the publicity given to films banned to those under 16, when he describes as "spectacular, rowdy and provoking." Such publicity, he says, arouses the curiosity of children in a regrettable way and gives foreigners "an unfavorable impression which damages the moral prestige and reputation of France."

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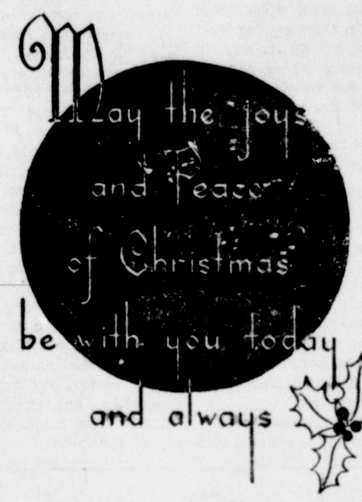
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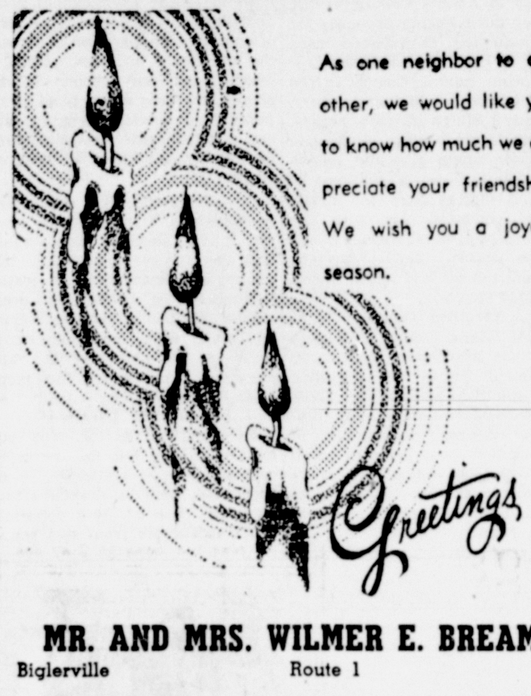
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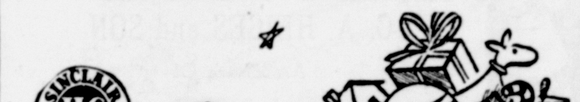


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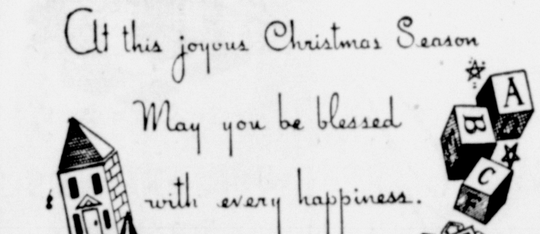
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A Bit Of History About Your Own Adams County

This is the 37th in a series of historical talks given over Radio Station WGET by Dr. Robert Fortenbaugh, Adeline Sager professor of history at Gettysburg College, on some of the outstanding events and interesting episodes in the development of Adams County.

In discussing "How the people of Adams County Make their Living," a convenient starting point is the time of the formation of Adams County in 1800. At that time there were resident here 13,172 people. Outside of a very few, who lived in the half dozen small villages of that day, and carried on some small manufactures, or kept small mercantile establishments, or practiced a profession, or held office, the people as a whole made their living from working the land. In fact, in that period in the history of the United States at least 90 per cent of the people got their living from working the land; in Adams County of that day, a fair estimate would be that at least 95 per cent so supported themselves.

In our early national history, as it had been in colonial days, the kind of farming was what is called "subsistence" farming — most of what the people ate, wore or lived in came directly from the land which they worked. They indeed did sell some of their product, but the money realized therefrom made up only a small fraction of the fruit of their toil.

Expansion Begins

Up to 1865 this same general condition obtained but villages were becoming towns, and stores, small workshops, and taverns multiplied. Also a few larger industrial interprises and been established, such as iron works, saw mills and woolen mills, as well as the largest single type of manufacturing — carriage building. As a result of all these factors less people depended upon working the land for their livelihood but the large majority still were so employed.

Only Two Banks

Such business organizations as there were, were either single or partnership owned. The corporate form was not yet used except for the construction and operation of turnpikes and railroads, and for the establishment and operation of banks, of which there were only two in the county before 1865.

Since 1865 the means of making a living in Adams County have been greatly diversified, as indeed they have been in the United States as a whole. The nation has changed in the 87 years since, from one primarily dependent for its wealth upon agriculture to one primarily department for its wealth upon industry. But while we say this, let us remember that agriculture is still the greatest single business in the United States, and further furnishes the materials for a very large part of our industrial operation. Adams County, while affected by the trend in the nation, did not go nearly so far, and remains in 1952 primarily an agricultural community. The majority of the people of the county still derive their living from the exploitation of the land, and another large fraction derives its living indirectly from the land. Agricultural production is, by far, the principal source of wealth for the entire county.

4 Working Categories

In the county's area of 526 square miles, equal to 336,640 acres, there were, according to the census of 1950, 44,197 people. These people make their living in relation to four principal categories of economic activity: Agricultural, industrial, commercial and professional. These categories have been stated in order of their significance, according to the numbers of people related to each.

Looking first at the most important category, the agricultural, we can get a better idea of its scope if we break down the main category into a number of specific agricultural activities. First, there is the production of general crops, to which the majority of farmers of Adams County principally devote themselves, in the form of corn, wheat, oats, hay, barley and potatoes. Secondly, there is specialization, with fruit-growing as the outstanding interest, in the form of apples, peaches and cherries. But specialization in vegetable growing is also very significant, in the form of tomatoes, peas and beans.

Stock-Raising Is Factor

From these two specialties a very large part of cash farm income is derived. Thirdly, as an agricultural activity, stock-raising plays a very important part in the farming economy in Adams County. The raising of cattle both for meat and milk is the principal source of cash profit in this class, followed by the raising of poultry, chickens, turkeys and ducks, with the chief emphasis on egg production. Hogs and sheep have their importance, yielding pork and pork products, wool and lambs, while the presence of extensive holdings in Adams County by the Hanover Shoe Farms accounts for the production of blooded race horses. It has been said, that for this reason Adams County is the second largest producing county in the United States of race horses.

Figures from reports of the last half dozen years give the following informing data: Number of farms, 3,149; acreage in farms, 264,929 (compare this with the 336,640 acres of total county area); acreage arable, 181,091; acreage in woodland, 42,267; state forest land, 20,992 acres.

Specified Crops

In 1944 Adams County was listed among the 100 leading counties in the United States for specified crops. In the number of apple trees it stood tenth; in apple production, eleventh; in number of peach trees it stood 24th; in peach production, 18th; in number of cherry trees it stood 10th; in cherry production, 19th; in number of chickens on farms it stood 49th; in eggs produced, 58th; in acres of tomatoes harvested it stood 97th. This shows a wide diversity and a source of opportunity for highly profitable farming.

The next largest number of people of Adams County make their living from the second category, industrial. Throughout the history of the county some industrial activity went on, but it was not until the present century that industry came to a point of development sufficient to put it in the same class as agriculture.

Fruit Processing

Here again we see a condition of diversity and the following kinds of industrial activity are important enough to be noticed: Fruit and vegetable processing, wood processing, especially furniture, leather and rubber goods, textiles, metal products, paper products and the processing of materials from mines and quarries. The largest single industry is fruit and vegetable processing, with three of the leading companies in the country operating in the county. It should be observed that these are founded on agricultural production, adding still further to the significance of agriculture in the economy of Adams County.

Again, figures, this time as of 1949, throw a clear light on the industrial situation of the county. There were then 103 productive industries, with $35,000,000 in value of product from an investment of $11,500,000. These 103 industries were organized as follows: 46 corporations, 20 partnerships, and 37 individually owned companies. They paid out in wages and salaries $9,626,100 to 6,589 workers, of whom 3,235 were men and 3,354 were women.

Commercial Category

The third category of economic activity whereby Adams County people make a living is the commercial — the exchange of goods and services. The principal form of commercial operation is through the multitude of retail stores in every nook and corner of the county, meeting every need of the purchasing public. There are also some wholesale establishments, dealing in a number of different special lines.

Included in this line are certain cooperatives. Then are to be noted the special services such as utilities, water, gas, electricity, telephone, amusements, food service, lodging service, banks, hair dressing establishments, insurance service and many other businesses set up to serve the needs of the high standard living which the people of the United States enjoy.

Battlefield Attraction

An important factor, not only for Gettysburg but for the whole county, at least indirectly, is the battlefield, with its extensive tourist trade. The business opportunities which come from this source are to be considered over and beyond those which come from the 1947 estimate of 11,600 families in the county, with an estimated net buying income of approximately $30,000,000. In that same year the estimated retail sales were over $18,000,000. On December 31, 1947, there were 14 banks in the county, with deposits of $32,000,000.

The fourth category of economic activity providing a livelihood for Adams Countians may be called the professional and generally related to established institutions. Adams County is unusually well-supplied with such institutions and a considerable personnel is employed in many different capacities in serving them that they might in turn serve the public.

School Systems

The largest establishment of this kind is the school system, both public and parochial. In 1949 the public school system alone reported total receipts of $1,158,000. Next come the churches, like the schools, spread over the entire county, and serving people of every local community. Next the institutions of higher education. The full-time officeholders in the public service make up a considerable body, considering those who serve the boroughs, the county and the commonwealth. An appreciable number are also in the service of the United States Government, especially in connection with the National Park and the Cemetery, as well as at Letterkenny and Mechanicsburg.

The medical profession is well represented, centering about the hospital, and there are two orphanages. Such highly specialized agencies as the radio station, the newspaper plants, and the experiment station demand trained personnel. Add to all these, professional specialists dentists, lawyers, writers and brokers, and a considerable minor fraction of the people of Adams County finding means of livelihood, at the same time enriching the life of the county, and meeting many human needs.

Mining Possibilities

Barring catastrophic changes in the manner of life in the United States, the indefinite future may be expected to work out along the lines now being followed. Since Adams County is so greatly devoted to agriculture, the promise given to Noah, thousands of years ago, may be expected still to be enjoyed: "While the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

However, some modifications might come in the near future, affecting the general economic organization of the county and thus affecting the means whereby the people of the county make their living, through possible development of a new industry, probably mining, in extensive areas purchased by a large corporation in the past three years.

Further, the development by the fderal government in the mountains in the southwestern part of the county might affect the mode and means of making a living for large numbers of countians, and that not only for those immediately in that corner, but for those in a large part of the more southerly part of Adams County.

TWO-HEADED CALF

CENTRALIA, Ill. (AP) — Farmer Hubert Stell looked at his heifer's first calf and saw double. The calf born on his farm near Mason had two heads, Steel said, and lived briefly.



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CINCINNATI, O. (AP) — Chances are that toy road grader or fire truck you buy your child for Christmas was made at the Doepke brothers' plant here.

Today they count the toys they produce in the hundreds of thousands and they have a world-wide distribution system. But in 1945 their plant was just an idea. But the idea was so good it has been booming their business ever since.

Children ought to have toys with a purpose — something to give them constructive activity. That was the idea. It started with a Christmas shopping trip. The brothers found lots of toy soldiers, guns and tanks. They found some old toys which they had used as children in the attic. Rehabilitated, these made a hit with modern children.

Charles and Frederick Doepke had been running a small machine shop which had made war goods and they were looking for something they could produce. Why not modern replicas of modern machinery?

Their first product was a model earth mover. They added other items. In recent years, they have limited themselves to five at any one time. They drop the less popular toys and add others.

Now they have an assembly line a quarter mile long. From it come pint-size machines at the rate of one every half minute.

A bowl of fresh fruit makes a fine dessert for a holiday meal when it's served with fresh dates, clusters of raisins, and roasted walnuts. To roast the walnuts put a pound of them in their shells in a shallow pan; heat in a moderate over for about half an hour before they are to be served.

YOU'RE NOBODY IN GERMANY IF NOT A "DOKTOR"

BONN, Germany (AP) — You're virtually nobody in Germany unless you have a doctor's title.

And you're really somebody if you are a double or triple doctor.

The title of "Dr." is a badge of distinction that brings you bows instead of a brushoff everywhere from government offices to repair shops.

Only a tiny fraction of Germany's "doctors" are medical men. Many of the nation's political leaders, newspapermen, economists and even industrial barons use this title.

Nearly one-third of the 420 members of parliament call themselves "doctor." Forty German news and radio correspondents who work here also are listed as "doctors."

A German who gets a doctorate degree from a university and passes a special state examination forever after calls himself "doctor."

Must Use Title

Woe betide the one who fails to address such persons as "Herr Doktor." It is an insult to leave out the "doktor." And you must address the wife of a "Herr Doktor" as "Frau Doktor."

Many young Germans take a cynical view of this old practice. If they persist, the title of doctor may die outside the medical profession.

But doctor titles are still so serious that it's a criminal offense to use it illegally.

A small, super-elite group of Germans are double and triple doctors. They have more than one degree.

The Federal Interior Minister, for example, is "Dr. Dr. Robert Lehr." With a short name that's not so bad. But one member of parliament is "Dr. Dr. Robert Philipp Noell von der Nahmer."

The nation's leading psychologist is "Prof. Dr. Dr. Leopold von Wiese and Kaiserswaldau."

TEEN TALK

By VIVIAN BROWN

The Associated Press

You can give some fine presents to the men in your life—Dad, brother and best boyfriend—by investing a few pennies from your piggy bank and a little time and energy.

These gifts are made with your own little hands, but they don't need to look homemade. Suggestions from your local sewing center will help you along with the project. All you need is Mom's sewing machine for a few hours to whip up a batch of pretty stitches that will spell glamour on Christmas morning. Here are some ideas, with directions on how to put them together:

1. Denim covers for Father's Golf Clubs:

. . . These could be made in solid denim with companion color striped denim for trim.

To make these covers, first cut back and front sections so that each section is 10 inches long and five inches wide.

Curve top of both sections and taper towards lower edge so that sections are approximately four inches wide at that point. Next cut numerals 1, 2 3, and 4. Applique numerals to front section with your sewing machine zig-zagger attachment, which makes it unnecessary to turn under raw edges. Next thread bobbin of sewing machine with double length of elastic thread. Use mercerized thread on spool pin. Loosen lower tension to accommodate thickness of elastic thread. Upper tension remains normal. Approximately four inches from lower edge of both front and back sections, run two rows of stitching. This will insure fit of cover when it is slipped over the wood. Make a cording for joining front and back sections by placing narrow cord in bias strip ½-inch wide. Length of strip is the measurement around outside of sections to be joined. Thread bobbin with mercerized thread. Insert cording betwene back and front sections so that right sides of covers face each other and all raw edges are on inside. Stitch in place with cording foot attachment so that you can stitch close to the cord. If you wish to place a pull tab at top of cover make it of bias strip and insert with cording. If you use a pompon you can stitch it on when covers are completed. Bind lower edge of covers with bias strip.

2. Road Map Holder For Hot-Rod Fan:

. . . Measure off a standard road map (folded of course) and cut striped denim for outside cover, solid denim for lining and crinoline stiffening to one and one-half times the length of the map plus one-quarter seam allowance. For width, cut to double the width of the folded map plus two and one-quarter inches which include fold over and seam allowance.

Next step is to baste crinoline to wrong side of the striped denim used for outside cover. Then baste plain fabric used for lining to the striped out-side covering so that the right sides of the two fabrics face each other. Now on your sewing machine, starting at bottom left hand corner, seam three sections together all the way around to right hand bottom corner. Turn cover right side out through opening along lower edge. Turn raw edges under the slip stitch place.

Starting at lower edge, fold entire width of the fabric up to where it forms a pocket of adequate depth to accommodate road maps. Run a line of stiching down center of the road map folder to get a pocket on each side. In order to anchor the finished side seams of pocket to finished side seams of cover, use an overcast stitch in a decorative thread. Continue stitching around sides, top and bottom. Attach tapes to each side to tie cover together.

3. Something For The Sportsman:

. . . You can adapt the "shoe bag" idea to hanging container for his beloved sports equipment. Picket compartments should be measured off to fit his needs. Shallow pockets attractively bound with contrasting bias tape may hold golf or tennis balls, baseballs, even a large pocket may be included for a football. Other pockets can hold baseball bat and glove, tennis racquet, sports shoes. If you're really creative, small appliques can be made to designate the contents of the various pockets.

Two Century-Old Cannon Discovered

HONG KONG (AP) — Two century-old cannon, which guarded this British Crown Colony in the days of Queen victoria, have been found in a tangle of jungle on hills overlooking this city.

An artillery officer said the guns, weighing a ton apiece, must have been from some British man-o'-war and no doubt were the pride of early Hong Kong defenders. The dates stamped on the cannon showed they were made in 1835.



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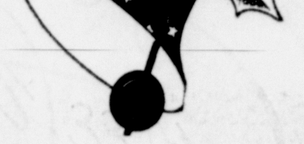
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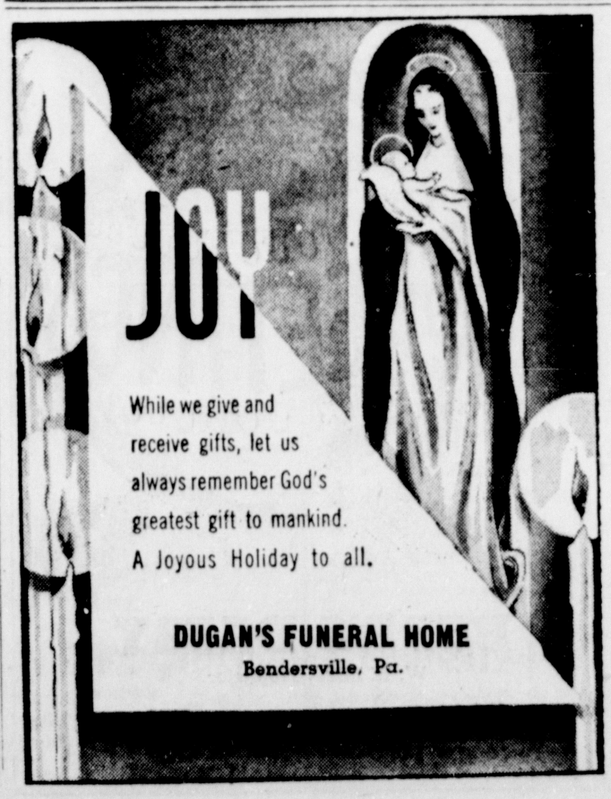
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RELIGIOUS TONE WILL HIGHLIGHT OBSERVATIONS

HARRISBURG (AP)—Some 60,000 patients, inmates and employes at Pennsylvania's state hospitals and prisons will celebrate Christmas with observances pointing up the religious significance of the day.

"Persons outside might well take an example from those confined to our 40 institutions on Christmas Day," said William C. Brown, state secretary of welfare.

Religious services and carol singing will highlight Christmas in the Welfare Department's institutions. But there will be shows, parties and turkey, too.

Approximately one pound of dressed turkey meat per person is headed for the various patients and prisoners. That means roughly 60,000 pounds of turkey.

"Our aim on this day is to make the lives of the patients as happy as possible," said Brown.

Serve Own Turkeys

Several institutions with farmlands will serve turkeys grown right on their own grounds.

These include Torrance State Hospital, White Hill Industrial school, Laurelton State Village and the Muncy Industrial Home for Women.

The turkey dinner is provided by the commonwealth but at many institutions outside organizations will assist in Christmas holiday observances. Brown cited the cooperation of the Pennsylvania Association of Parents and Friends for Retarded Children at the Pennhurst State School.

Allentown State Hospital will feature a musical program event although its auditorium has been damaged by fire. An organ will be hired for the occasion to provide music.

Brown himself will spend Christmas Day on his farm in New London, Chester County. The secretary will celebrate with a turkey dinner and by reading Charles Dickens' Christmas stories to his family.

Fine Stays At Gap

Gov. John S. Fine will spend the holiday at the Executive Mansion at Indiantown Gap. With him will be his two sons, John Jr., 12, and Donald, 10.

Most State Cabinet officers will travel to their various homes around the state following in the old-fashioned Christmas tradition.

Lt. Gov. Lloyd Wood said he will have to devote some time during the holiday week to his law office duties.

"Any spare time I have will be taken up with resuming turkey production on my Montgomery County farm," Wood said.

Mrs. Eleanor Evans, Pennsylvania's only woman Cabinet member as public assistance secretary, will visit her daughters in Collingswood, N. J. Eight grandchildren will be present.

SAYS SAMPLE IS NOT NATURAL OIL

HARRISBURG (AP)—State Geologist H. S. Cathcart said today that preliminary tests indicate that a sample taken from a wild-cat oil well in the Bald Eagle Valley of Clinton County is not natural oil.

"It has not as yet been proven that this is real rock oil—that is the natural product," Cathcart told a newsman.

The geologist said he still is awaiting an adequate sample to be tested in the laboratory to be tested in the State Highways laboratory here.

"The operators have not yet submitted enough for an adequate test," Cathcart said, adding that he had sent a man himself to the field, but that getting a sample is a long process and an insufficient amount was returned.

The well is in a new field in Clinton County where oil never has been found before. It was drilled to a very low level when it was believed oil was struck.

Children's Service At Abbottstown

The annual program by the children of the Sunday School will be given on Christmas Eve in Emmanuel's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Abbottstown, at 7:30.

The Primary Department, under the direction of Mrs. Lester Spangler, will present a program of recitations, songs, and execrises. The latter part of the program will be presented by the Intermediate Department, when they will enact the play, "The Town That Couldn't Have Chistmas," which is under the direction of Mrs. Robert Juditz.

Santa will make his appearance, to close the program, and will present a gift to each of the children of the Sunday School.

CARS COLLIDE

An automobile operated by Edward D. Willet, 65, of McSherrystown, struck the car of James B. Smith, 21, also of McSherrystown, at 3:30 p.m. Sunday on a curve between McSherrystown and Midway, state police of the Gettysburg substation reported today. Damage to each car was estimated at $150. No one was injured.

When you are setting the holiday dinner table, fold each napkin either into an oblong or a square. Place it to the left of the fork with the open, lower corner nearest the dinner plate.

LONG-DELAYED NUPTIALS OVER

FALL RIVER, Mass. (AP)—A sailor and his sweetheart were married on Monday after months of being snarled in red tape and hard luck.

Andrew E. Crowe, 20, Warrington, Fla., and Miss Jean Dorothy Bredkenner, 21, of Philadelphia, Pa., had their marriage plans halted 10 months ago when his ship, USS Compton, sailed before the required license waiting period in Pennsylvania had expired.

Last week his ship docked in Fall River. His fiancee rushed here for the ceremony. Then Crowe, an orphan, learned he had to have a guardian's signature to obtain a marriage license.

By the time this difficulty was removed, City Hall was closed for the week end. No license could be obtained until Monday.

Then when the couple appeared Monday for the license they found a blood test was required. The report usually requires three days.

However, the Fall River Herald News persuaded a hospital to rush the test paper work so the couple could be married.

The Cincinnati Reds will play 22 spring training games in Florida. Twelve of them will be played at Plant Field in Tampa.

HELD FOR COURT

Harrison Runkle, 44, Gettysburg, arrested by borough police Saturday night on a larceny charge for the theft of a suitcase from a parked automibile, was held for court by Justice of the Peace Robert P. Snyder Monday night, and remanded to jail in default of $500 bail.



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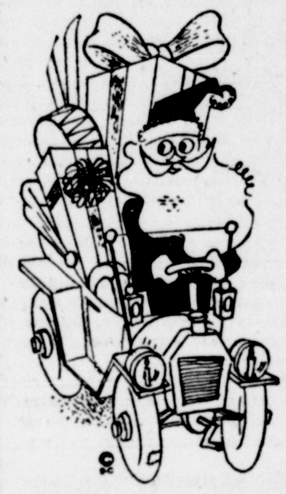
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70 FEAR-CRAZED PASSENGERS TRY TO SWIM FROM STRANDED SHIP

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP)—At least 70 fear-crazed passengers leaped into the sea from the storm-stricken French liner Champollion Tuesday in an attempt to swim ashore. Twenty of them drowned.

The British cruiser Kenya battled to come alongside the ill-fated Champollion, in hopes of getting a line aboard to rescue the passengers still on the stricken hulk split across a reef and pounded by high winds and heavy surf off the Lebanese coast.

Survivors of the attempt to swim ashore included three women and a 10-year-old boy.

Thousands Look On

They made their desperate attempt as heavy weather prevented ships standing by the stricken liner from getting close enough to take off any of the passengers.

Three British planes made unsuccessful attempts to fly over the ship and drop a cable to connect the broken vessel with the shore.

The beach was filled with thousands of spectators who watched the rescue of passengers from the pounding surf by members of the fire brigade from Beirut's International Airport.

Holy Land Pilgrims

Earlier the ship's owners, the Messageries Maritimes, said in Paris that there were 328 persons aboard the ship which went aground some 500 yards off the Lebanese Coast, about four miles south of Beirut. Those aboard, they said, included 220 crew members and 108 pilgrims en route to the Holy Land for Christmas.

A fierce gale blew the 12,546-ton liner, a 25-year-old veteran of French shipping, on to the reef yesterday as she battled toward Beirut. The fierce seas and surf broke her back and sent a wide crack down her amidships section, apparently splitting her apart.

The continuing fury of the storm so far had foiled attempts by air and sea rescuers of at least five nations to begin removal of the threatened hundreds on the ship.

Messageries Maritimes officials said that among the passengers—described as mostly French tourists and businessmen—was one American, identified only as Charles Harris. He was believed to be a resident of France.

Await Helicopter

The Kenya arrived on the scene early Tuesday and took charge of communications for the rescue attempt. The stricken ship was without power and could communicate only by semaphore or blinker light.

Doctors, nurses, army trucks and ambulances waited on shore.

Capt. E. R. Jones of the marine division of the Trans-Arabian Pipeline Co., also was on the beach with a crew of trained marine specialists.

GI Who Lunched With Ike Is Killed

SEOUL (AP)—Cpl. James A. Murray of Muskogee, Okla., who lunched with U. S. President-elect Eisenhower on a Korean hillside three weeks ago, was killed in a recent patrol action, the Army disclosed Tuesday.

Murray, a member of Co. B of Eisenhower's old 15th Regiment, U. S. Third Division, was one of three soldiers chosen to lunch with Eisenhower on pork chops and sauerkraut. The others were Sgt. Jack Hutcherson, Frankford, Mo., and Pfc. Casper Skudlarek, Avon, Minn.

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FASHION COMPLETES A CYCLE—With return of the elaborate waistcoat, two students compare a modern vest with an eighteenth century model at Cooper Union, New York.

Christians Turn To Ceremonies Commemorating Birth Of Jesus

By The Associated Press

Christians turned from the cares and sorrows of a troubled, strife-wracked world today to begin the happy yet solemn ceremonies commemorating the birth of Him who preached the gifts of peace and love to all mankind.

As the last-minute rush for presents and festive goodies died away, millions of faithful lifted their hearts in Christmas Eve prayers of thanks and hope, and their voices in carols of joy.

Churches throughout Christendom threw open their doors to welcome all to traditional Christmas Eve ceremonies. In Bethlehem of Judea, a special Catholic midnight mass beginning in the Chapel of St. Catherine will end in the Grotto of the Nativity, on the spot designated by His followers as the birthplace of Christ nearly 2,000 years ago.

Pilgrims Arriving

At the same time a Protestant service will be held on nearby terraced slopes that mark the traditional spot where angels announced the birth of Christ to shepherds watching their flocks by night.

Hundreds of pilgrims have arrived in the Holy Land to worship at the shrines connected with the birth of Christ. As in past Christmas times, the heavy border guards between Jordan and Israel—still technically at war—will step aside to permit passage to the holy places.

Pope Pius XII was to broadcast his annual Crhistmas message of peace beginning at 5 a.m., EST, today. The message will be beamed around the world in 23 languages. The Pontiff's Christmas Eve mass also will be aired by the Vatican radio at 5:40 p.m., EST.

Last From Truman

More than an hour earlier, President Truman will deliver his last official Christmas message to the nation. He will speak at 4:30 p.m. EST, at the 30th annual Lighting of the Living Christmas Tree on the White House grounds.

Other chiefs of state and rulers prepared special messages. Queen Elizabeth II will broadcast hers—her first as Britain's reigning monarch—to the world-wide British Commonwealth and empire at 10:03 a.m., EST, tomorrow.

As Americans at home rushed their last preparations for the season, their thoughts went out to the thousands of fighting men spending Christmas in troubled spots around the world — Korea, Germany, Austria, Japan and other lands threatened by tyranny.

All these, however, will have their celebrations too. There will be packages from home and special Christmas dinners. And American troops the world over have chipped in to buy toys and food for needy children in lands that are their temporary homes.

In a Christmas message to his Eighth Army troops in Korea, Gen. James Van Fleet declared the Christmas star "still burns to lead us in our pursuit of peace on earth and good will towards men."

MISSOURIAN IS NEW ASSISTANT AG. SECRETARY

NEW YORK, Dec. 24 (AP) — President-elect Eisenhower today chose True D. Morse of St. Louis, Mo.—a Republican who was a Democrat until about 20 years ago—for the job of under secretary of agriculture in the new administration.

Morse, 56-year-old board chairman of a farm management service and editor of a farm publication, will serve as top aide to Ezra Taft Benson of Salt Lake City, secretary of agriculture-designate.

The nomination of Morse and others Eisenhower has named to key posts will go to the Senate for confirmation after the general takes office Jan. 20.

Eisenhower's press secretary, James C. Hagerty, said Benson recommended Morse — who was born on a Missouri farm. The job pays $17,500 a year.

An Ike Supporter

Hagerty described Morse as an Eisenhower supporter during the campaign.

Morse is chairman of the board of Doane Agricultural Service of St. Louis, the oldest and largest farm management appraisal and farm research service in the country. He has been editor of the Doane Agriculture Digest since 1938.

He is vice president of the American Farm Economists Association and a past president of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers.

Christmas In New York

Eisenhower's selection of Morse came as the general made ready to spend Christmas in New York with his family, including three grandchildren, and in the wake of a conference on government reorganization and other matters with former President Hoover.

Like many another grandfather, Eisenhower will help trim a Christmas tree tonight. It is being put up for the children of the President-elect's son John, an Army major in Korea.

The children—Dwight David, 4; Barbara Anne, 3, and Susan, 11 months—arrived with their mother yesterday at the general's Columbia University home on Morningside Heights. They live in Highland Falls, N. Y., near West Point.

Friday night supper menu: Fish chowder with pilot crackers; tossed green salad with slivers of Swiss cheese; hot rolls; for dessert squares of warm gingerbread with freshly made applesauce; lots of coffee.

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RED MIG SHOT DOWN IN BATTLE AT 45,000 FEET

SEOUL (AP) — Another Russian-built MIG jet fighter was shot down Tuesday as four Allied Sabre jets clashed briefly with eight Red planes.

The fight, at 45,000 feet, was the only one reported today. The kill was made by Lt. John A. Inferrera of Watertown, Mass., who was flying his 98th mission. He now has downed two MIGs and damaged one.

Air Force and Marine planes struck at a troop concentration area in Northwest Korea near Chaeryong. Other planes poured bombs on the east airfield at the Red capital, Pyongyang. Pilots reported the Reds were trying to repair the strip.

Communist troop and supply centers near Pyongyang were hit Monday night by 12 B29 Superforts.

Allied raids and Chinese probes led to short engagements along the frozen, snow-covered battlefront. On the Western Front, an Allied raiding party snt about 80 Chins fleing through an artillery and mortar barrage that cut down an estimated 30 Reds.

All the Red probing attacks were beaten off after short fights.

Abbottstown

ABBOTTSTOWN — A Cantata was presented to a large audience in St. John Lutheran Church, Sunday. The Reformed Church will present its Christmas entertainment Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

While William Hoff was enroute to the Paradise Protectory on Sunday night to play Santa Claus to the children of the home, he was blinded on making the curve from the highway to the road leading to the Protectory and drove into the gutter along the road. He escaped serious injury.

The fire company recently responded to an alarm and extinguished a fire in a wash house along the road leading to High Rock.

About 50 members of the Ladies Aid of the Reformed Church attended a banquet at the New Chester Reformed Church social rooms. C. Grove Haines, Chevy Chase, Md., showed pictures of his recent trip to Italy.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Butt entertained the following on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Butt and daughters Donna and Barbara, Lancaster; Mr. and Mrs. C. Grove Haines and daughter, Frances, Chevy Chase, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Butt, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Butt, of Hanover.

Miss Minnie Orndorff and Miss Mary E. Elder will spend their Christmas vacation in Florida at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cluade Orndorff who moved to Florida recently on account of Mr. Orndorff's health. Mr. Orndorff has improved since living there.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Grove Haines and daughter, Chevy Chase, Md. will spend the Christmas vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Helen Haines.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Butt and Mr. and Mrs. John Menges and children attended the Christmas party at Thomasville held by the J. E. Baker Co.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baumgardner, Texas, have arrived at the home of Mrs. Baumgardner's father, E. E. Jacobs.

Mrs. Alice Cleaver is spending some time in Hanover.

New Oxford

NEW OXFORD—The St. Vincent de Paul Society of the local Catholic parish, a men's organization for the relief of the needy, met for their pre-Christmas discussion Sunday evening at the parochial hall.

Mrs. John Duttera, who has been quite ill for more than a week, is reported to be improving.

Children of the local parochial school were dismissed for the Christmas recess on Tuesday morning after a Christmas program at school and then going to the church where their confessions were heard in preparation for receiving Holy Communion at the children's high mass at 9 o'clock Christmas morning. They will return to classes the Monday after New Year's.

Children of the local public school and nearby rural schools will have their Christmas recess from this afternoon until January 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Shortlidge and daughter, Gail, have returned to their home in the Philadelphia area after a pre-Christmas visit to her mother, Mrs. C. Clark Brown, and other local relatives.

The principal Christmas service of Emory Methodist Church was presented Sunday evening in charge of the Rev. Amos D. Meyers, minister. This was a carol and candlelighting service. The Christmas program of the Sunday School was given in the morning.

Employes of the Livingston Shoe Company here conducted their annual Christmastime banquet during the past week at the local fire hall.

Dr. and Mrs. Moses Baker are spending the Christmas season with relatives in San Diego, Calif., and expect to remain in the west for a part of the winter.

The Deputy Commander of Pennsylvania Sons of Union Veterans has been invited to be present at the first meeting of 1953 of local Theodore Pfeiffer Camp No. 60, on January 8 at 8 p.m. when a feature of the meeting will be the installation of these officers for 1953: Commander, Glenn Jacobs; senior vice commander, Curvin A. Miller; junior vice commander, Robert B. Felty; secretary, Arthur Weaver; treasurer, Joseph I. Weaver, and camp councilman for three years, Cyril Staub.

The Pines Lutheran congregation of New Chester will mark Christmas with a Christmas Eve candlelight service at 11 o'clock. The retiring pastor, the Rev. Samuel M. Clarke, who is leaving early in the new year for a new charge, will officiate.

Littlestown

LITTLESTOWN — The girls of Brownie Troop No. 16 went carol singing throughout the community on Tuesday evening. After singing, from 7 to 8:30 o'clock, the group was treated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Hawk, Prince St. The group included the following Brownies, Wanda Morelock, Jacqueline Morelock, Jean Sentz, Linda Heltibridle, Joyce Strevig, Donna Koontz, Nancy Ruggles and Sandra Hawk. The girls were acompanied by Mrs. John C. Forry, troop leader, Mrs. Keith Heltibridle, assistant leader, Mrs. Noah Strevig and Robert Forry.

The annual Christmas drama will be presented in St. Mary's Reformed Church, Silver Run, this evening at 7:45 o'clock by the members of the confirmation class and the Youth Fellowship. The cast will include Darlene Utz, Edward Study, Jean Hall, Sandra Abbott, Virginia Stewart, Donna Stonesifer, Patsy Close, Etta Hollinger, Ned Little, Roy Krem, Robert Myers, LeRoy Kline, Ruth and Catherine Myers, Naomi Utz, Shirley Stewart, Janet Beachtel, Melvin Hollinger, Larry Kline, John Beachtel, Ronald Duttera, Belinda Sue Yingling, Richard Horner and Ronald Dutterer. The production will be in charge of George E. Bowen, sound; L. Melvin Hollinger and Evan D. Kline Sr., lighting; Mrs. Pauline Stonesifer, Mrs. Paul Bankert and Mrs. Melvin Hollinger, costumes and makeup, and the Rev. Ray E. P. Abbott, director. Musical selections will be presented by the Men's Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Abbot.

Sunday evening dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Bowers and family, North Queen St., included Mr. and Mrs. Vernon James and daughter, Janet, Loganville, and George W. Bowers.

Mrs. John H. Myers and sons, Michael and David, Fort Myer, Va., are spending some time over the holidays at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hofe, East King St. Sgt. Myers is presently serving with U. S. Army in Indo-China.

S/Sgt. Wilbur M. Sentz has received his honorable discharge from the Army Air Force and returned from Barksdale Air Force Base, Shrevenport, La., to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Sentz, E. King St.

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Emmitsburg

EMMITSBURG—Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Topper were: Mr. and Mrs. Upton Austin and sons, Billy and Melvin; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fleagle: and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Austin all of Taneytown.

John Callahan and fiancee, Miss Dorothy Sauerwall, both of Baltimore, visited on Sunday with Mr. Callahan's grandmother, Mrs. Louise Warthen of near St. Anthony's.

William Timmerman, U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Timmerman. Jack Timmerman, also in the Army who has just recently returned from overseas duty, is spending a furlough at the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. William Rodgers and daughter, Kathy, spent Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Owens of Baltimore.

Mrs. Robert Bohn and infant daughter were discharged from the Warner Hospital on Saturday. Mrs. Bohn is the former Agnes Lingg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Lingg of near St. Anthony's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Topper Jr. and Charles Topper Sr., Baltimore, visited on Sunday with Mrs. Ray Topper and with Mrs. Laura Rosensteel.

Mrs. Roy Bollinger left Monday for St. Petersburg, Flordia, where she will spend two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Orndorff have recently purchased the property of Joseph Knott near St. Anthony's.

John C. Ott, U. S. Navy, stationed at Norfolk, Va., is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ott.

John (Jack) Ott, U. S. Navy, Nofolk, Va., is visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ott, near St. Anthony's.

The infant son of Captain and Mrs. John M. Baker, Quantico, Va., was baptized on Sunday afternoon by Rev. Father Michael OBrien in St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The baby received the name Stephen and the sponsors were the infant's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Weltry.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Earl Baker received the sacrament of baptism on Sunday afternoon in St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The sponsors were Jack Rosenwald and Mrs. Barbara Frock and the baby was named Stephen Earl. Fr. Michael O'Brien performed the ceremony. Mrs. Baker is the former Lois Hewitt.

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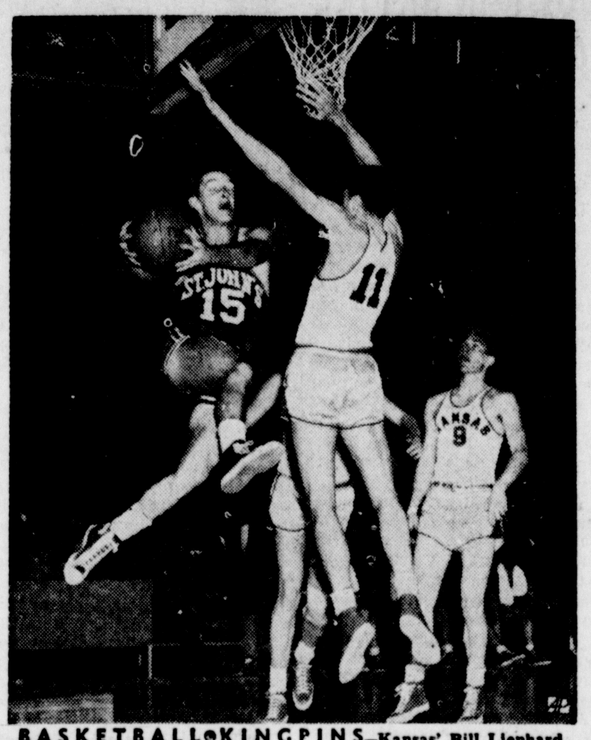
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CAMERA CALLS THE PLAY—Yanks' Johnny Sain reaches first before ball gets to Dodgers' Gil Hodges in tenth inning of fifth World Series game. Ump Art Passarella called him out and protest by Coach Bill Dickey (33) and other Yanks followed. The decision stood.



BASKETBALL KINGPINS—Kansas' Bill Lienhard jumps to block shot by Ron MacGilvray of St. John's during NCAA title game at Seattle in March, won by Kansas Jayhawkers, 80-63.



THE TITLE CHANGES HANDS—Jersey Joe Walcott, his head bowed, lies powerless on the canvas as referee Charlie Daggert tolls the count after Rocky Marciano's punches removed world heavyweight crown from Walcott's head in 13th round at Philadelphia in September.



ON WAY TO TITLE—Julius Boros shoots from sand-trap on Northwood Club, Dallas, Tex., course in June during final round of U. S. Open Golf Championship which he won with 281.



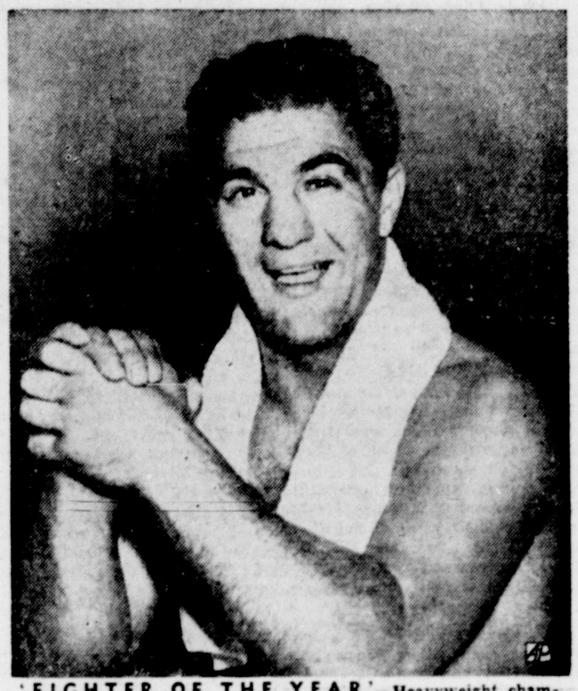
GOLF QUEEN—Mrs. Jacqueline Pung, of Honolulu, throws a kiss to Portland, Ore., gallery after beating Shirley McFedters for U. S. women's amateur golf title in August.



ON WAY TO OLYMPIC RECORD—Horace Ashenfelter takes water jump in Olympic 3,000-meter steeplechase preliminary at Helsinki in July. He won final in new record 8:45.4.



RETAINS TITLE—Maureen "Little Mo" Connolly, of San Diego, Cal., won national women's tennis singles at Forest Hills, N. Y., in September for the second straight year



FIGHTER OF THE YEAR—Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano smiles upon learning he won the Edward J. Neil Memorial Plaque, awarded annually to "fighter of the year."



TWO NO-HITTERS—Righthander Virgil Trucks pitched two no-hit games for Detroit Tigers in 1952. He no-hitted the Senators in May and the Yankees in August.



FAMILY POSSESSION—Jack Westland of Everett, Wash., and his wife hold the national amateur golf trophy he won by defeating Al Mengert 3 and 2, at Seattle, Wash., in August.



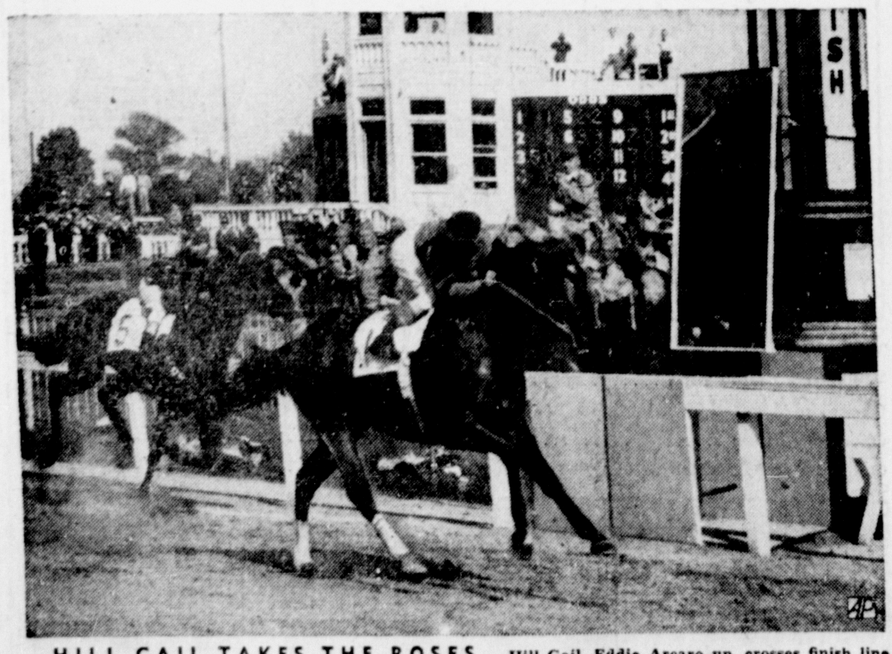
NO FORM BUT WINNING ONE—Czechoslovakia's Emil Zatopek leads two rivals to win Olympic 5,000-meter run, one of three long-distance races he won at Helsinki in July.



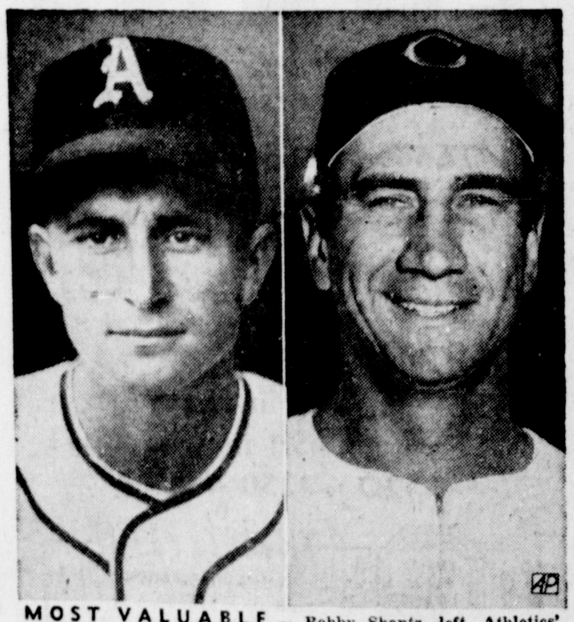
REPEAT PERFORMANCE—Bob Mathias, of Tulare, Cal., heaves discus in Olympic Games at Helsinki, Finland, in July as he went on to retain the Decathlon title he won in 1948.



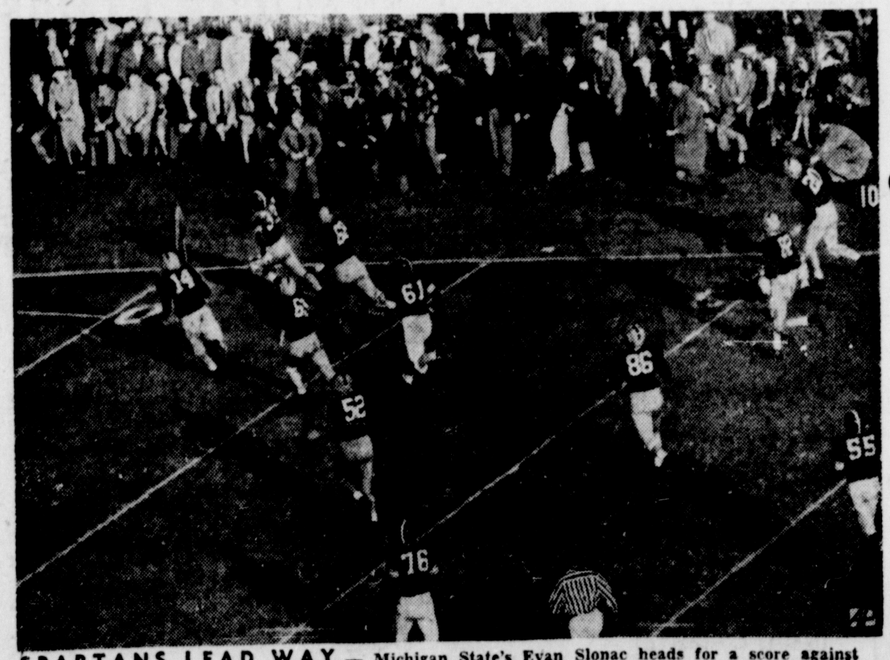
LEADING JOCKEY—Apprentice jockey Tony DeSpirito, 17, of Lawrenee, Mass., turned out to be the hottest thing in a saddle as he led nation's jockeys in winner's circle.



HILL GAIL TAKES THE ROSES—Hill Gail, Eddie Arcaro up, crosses finish line to win 78th running of Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, Ky., in May. Sub Fleet was second.



MOST VALUABLE—Bobby Shantz, left, Athletics' pitcher, and Hank Sauer, Cubs' outfielder, were chosen as most valuable players in the American and National Leagues, respectively.



SPARTANS LEAD WAY—Michigan State's Evan Slonac heads for a score against Notre Dame as Spartans beat Irish, 21-3 in November to keep pace as nation's best grid team.

Here's wishing a **MERRY CHRISTMAS** to everyone

ANNOUNCEMENTS

● In Memoriam 3

ROUZER: In memory of C. E. Rouzer who departed Dec. 26, 1950.
When evening shadows are falling,
And I am sitting all alone,
In my heart there comes a longing . .
Dear Charlie, if you only could come home.
By his wife D. Lyda Rouzer.

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● Lost and Found 6

LOST: MAN'S Gruen wrist watch. Between Eagles' Home and square. If found call Fairfield 72-J.

● Special Notices 9

A "NEW" SINGER sewing machine for Christmas! Small down payment delivers. 137 Baltimore St Phone 1148.

I HAVE the same good quality Christmas trees as I had last year. Reasonable prices. On display at Wolf's Supply lot on N. Stratton St. Plenty of free parking space while you make your choice.

CLEARANCE: LARGE assortment of dolls at attractive prices. Helen L. Price, "Kiddies' Paradise," 108 Baltimore St., Gettysburg.

OLD STAMPS and coins wanted. Best prices. Write Larry Hendry, 204 W. Market St., York, Pa.

WE WILL buy no poultry Christmas week. We will receive poultry on Monday only the following week. Thereafter, we will buy every Monday and Tuesday. R. J. Brendle, New Oxford, Pa.

BINGO EVERY Friday night at 7:45 o'clock. Aspers Fire Hall, Aspers, Pa. Chickens, Ducks and turkeys as prizes.

BEAUTIFUL CANADIAN Christmas trees, starting Dec. 12-24th. St. Francis Xavier School, High St., Gettysburg, Pa. Sold by Boy Scouts, Troop 78. Trees delivered after 5:30 p.m. Oper 3:30 to 9:00 daily. Call orders into Leo McDermitt, 836; Ed Kerrigan, 42-X, or Fred Faber, 272-X.

STORAGE By hour day, week or month. Reasonable rates, near Lincoln Square. National Garage Co.

JUST ARRIVED. The newest thing in photograph albums. Thomas Bros., Biglerville. Open tonight.

FROM NEW Mexico. The popular hand woven wool neckties. Just arrived at Thomas Bros., Biglerville.

GIVE HER a wonderful set of dishes from Thomas Bros., Biglerville. Open tonight.

LOVELY, LASTING and practical. A gift of jewelry for her. Choose from the large selection at Thomas Bros. Open tonight in Biglerville.

CHRISTMAS TREES: Scotch and white pine. Also turnips, $1.00 per bu. Open until 10 p.m. Ivan T. Straley, 2 mi. from Gettysburg on the Emmitsburg Road, phone 840-R-5.

SPECIAL PRICE
on any refrigerator that has been used as floor sample. Pick up a bargain. Also turkey given.
LETTER'S HARDWARE AND IMPLEMENTS
Greencastle, Pa. Phone 169

MAKE CRUM'S Jewelry Store, in Bendersville, your Christmas shopping center for watches and jewelry.

SHOOTING MATCH: Christmas Day, 12:00 Noon, by Hunterstown Gun Club. Clay targets, live birds, still targets. Prizes: Woolrich clothing, dressed turkeys, hams, chickens. "Don't miss this shoot, the place you can enjoy"!

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● Special Notices 9

OPEN CHRISTMAS eve until 11:00 p.m. for your convenience. Thomas Bros., Biglerville.

NOW IS the time to have that old Sewing Machine overhauled Our mechanic has the experience, the necessary parts and your old machine is fully guaranteed No charge for estimate or call Ditzler's Hardware & Furniture, York Springs, Pa. Phone 27-R-12

WE ARE serving Christmas turkey dinners! 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Take the family out on Christmas Day! Sanders' Restaurant, just south of Hunterstown.

BINGO: EVERY Thursday night at 8:00, Greenmount Community Fire Hall. Cash jackpot.

Puppies To Give Away
Leroy Wetzel,
Biglerville R. 1.

WANTED: RIDERS to Texas by southern route. Leaving January 1. Call 88-Z. A/3C Goodermuth, 633 York St.

EMPLOYMENT

● Male Help Wanted 13

WANTED: MAN for position to learn and eventually assume full responsibility over department in distribution phase of business. Must be able to operate car for regular delivery excellent permanent position for right man. No experience necessary; individual who is looking forward to future, write for interview to **Box 7**, c/o Gettysburg Times.

MAN FOR year 'round work on farm. Chickens, turkeys and fruit. Must be able to assume responsibilities. Give references, family status and experience, first letter. Write **Box 37**, c/o The Gettysburg Times.

WANTED: TRUCK driver. Apply The Carroll Rubber Company, Littlestown Pa.

Wanted: Night Cook
WEANER'S DAIRY
Telephone 545-W.

WANTED: MAN to assist publisher of Adams County weekly newspaper, unusual opportunity for future. Experience in advertising preferred but not necessary. For interview, write Publisher, New Oxford Item, New Oxford, Pa.

● Female Help 15

Waitress over 21
Apply
The Blue Parrot Tea Room

FOR SALE

● Miscellaneous 17

ALL SIZES of Howard, New Moon, Palace, Pontiac and Schult mobile homes Hardy Development Corp., Waynesboro Airport, phone 300.

GIRL'S BICYCLE. Firestone Pilot. Used very little. Call 307-X or 1012-X.

"WE HAVE IT"
Plumbing Supplies Pipe Fittings
LOWER'S COUNTRY STORE
Table Rock, Pa
Open 7 a.m 9 p.m. Daily

FOR SALE: Used coal and wood Heatrolas; cook stoves; oil heaters, $15 up. Ditzler's Appliance, York Springs, phone Y S. 27-R-12

2 FRONT quarters of beef. Also chicken feeders. Wilmer Lady, Gettysburg, Pa. R. 4. Phone York Springs 85-R-32.

● Household Goods 18

USED REFRIGERATOR, 6 cu. ft. Norge. Ideal for apartment. Call 1023-Y.

FOR SALE

● Household Goods 18

COLEMAN OIL heater. Heats three rooms. Apply Earl Benner, Gettysburg R. 1, along Littlestown-Gettysburg Highway.

TRADE-IN FURNITURE: 5-pc breakfast suite, $24.50; 9 x 6 felt base rug (new) $3.98; bedroom suite, $59; Trade-In Furniture Exchange, rear York Supply Co., Clark Ave., York.

TRADE-IN FURNITURE: Elec. refrigerators, rebuilt ranges, $12.00 up; heaters and wash machines. Trade-in Furniture Exchange rear York Supply Co., Clark Ave. York.

● Clothing 19

COMPLETE CLOSEOUT: All-wool sweaters for boys and girls, 3 to 6-x. Also cotton plaid shirts and boys' all-wool jackets, Sizes 4 to 7. Helen L. Price, Kiddies' Paradise. 108 Baltimore St., Gettysburg

● Farm and Garden 22

FOR SALE: Potatoes. Dorsey A. Shultz, Cashtown, Pa. Phone 964-R-14.

HOME-GROWN POTATOES
330 bu. in 100-lb bags.
Lower's, Table Rock, Pa.

● Farm Equipment 23

FOR SALE: New SD-3 Sheppard diesel tractor at cost price. 25 used wheel and crawler tractors, 25 used sprayers. Barr's Orchard & Farm Supply, Winchester, Va.

● Livestock 25

2 HOLSTEIN HEIFERS of breeding age. Leo Culp, near New Chester at Pines Church.

FOR SALE: Jersey cow, will freshen soon. Ivan S. Huff, phone Biglerville 930-R-23.

One Good Grade Cow
Artificially bred
Call Gettysburg 950-R-21.

½ HOME-RAISED beef. Also Holstein stock bull. C. Stanley Hartman, phone 950-R-12.

● Pets of All Kinds 27

GREAT PEDIGREE; 4 cocker spaniel puppies, 12 wks., black; 2½-year-old black female cocker; 2 young, unbroken, tan and black coon hounds; 13 Beagle puppies; 4 collie puppies; bird dog, 8 years, black and white. Ridge Road Kennel, York Springs, Pa.

MARY'S KENNEL. Boston Terriers, AKC registered. Also, Toy Terriers for pets. Call Fairfield 910-R-13.

MEADEHAVEN COLLIE KENNEL
AKC Registered Collies
Fairfield Road. R. 2, Gettysburg

● Poultry and Chicks 28

LIVE POULTRY. Highest cash market prices. Write Alton Groth Spring Grove Pa Box 404

TURKEYS, LIVE weight. Market price. R. Montgomery, ½ mile south of Heidlersburg.

FOR SALE: Mallard ducks, $1.00 each. Will dress. Also turkeys, alive or dressed. Tanger's Hatchery, York Springs.

FOR SALE: Geese, ducks and guineas. Francis Culp, between Schriver's and Table Rock.

FOR SALE: Chickens, roasters and fryers, alive or dressed. Victor Dively, Biglerville, call 925-R-23.

● Wanted to Buy 29

WANTED
Raw furs and hides.
Morris Gitlin phone 28.

WANTED: RABBITS. All winter. Deliver Friday and Saturday to Bruce Coover, phone 1055-Y, Gettysburg R. 2.

FOR SALE

● Wanted to Buy 29

WANTED: GOOD quality furs, skunks, $1.75 for lack and shorts; 60c longs and broad stripes; good muskrat, $1.70; deerskins, $2.00; possum, 30-40c; good 'coon up to $2.00; mink at value. 47th year in business. Keystone Hide Company, Lancaster, Pa.

WANTED: OLD barn pigeons. Will be buying pigeons all winter. Robert Thompson, York Springs.

LIVE POULTRY Wanted! Special attention to large flocks. Call Biglerville 81-R.

RENTALS

● Apartments for Rent 31

5-ROOM APARTMENT for rent, near Lincoln Square. Write Box 11, c/o Gettysburg Times.

● House for Rent 32

SIX-ROOM HOUSE and bath. Small family. No Children. Telephone 145-W.

● Miscellaneous Rentals 35

LOCKERS FOR rent at Arctic Locker System. Corner Franklin and Breckenridge, phone 625, Gettysburg.

REAL ESTATE

● House for Sale 37

FOR SALE: Large 9-room brick house, all conveniences, large porch north and east sides of house, beautiful well kept yard and shrubbery, high terrace, wonderful location, York Springs. Price right for quick sale. Loan can be arranged to responsible party. Immediate possession. Apply 46 York St., Gettysburg, Pa.

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED 5-room, ranch type home. Apply L. D. Shealer, 155 Howard Ave., Gettysburg, Pa. Phone 738-Y.

SIX-ROOM HOUSE with bath, enclosed porch, laundry room, garage, chicken house. Situated on one acre of land in Arendtsville. Phone Biglerville 145-R-23 or 16-M.

● Business Properties 38

NEAR LITTLESTOWN: Lot 150 ft. front, on hard road with building 26x30, suitable for garage, business or to convert into house, $2,600. A. C. Garland, Realtor, Littlestown, Pa. Phone 137.

● Farms for Sale 39

FRUIT FARM, apples, sour cherries and peaches. Near canning factory. Call Fairfield 927-R-13.

AUTOMOTIVE

● Trucks for Sale 45

FOR SALE: 1941 Dodge panel truck. A-1 condition. telephone Fairfield 910-R-13.

● Automobiles for Sale 46

GOOD WILL USED CARS
1952 Pontiac, 4-dr., R&H., Hydra Demonstrator, Save $300.
1952 Studebaker ½-ton long w.b. truck (New) $1495
1950 Pontiac DeLuxe 2-dr., R&H.
1938 Ford 2-dr H. $7
1948 Willys Station Wagon, H.
1941 Nash 4-dr., H.
1936 Olds. 4dr., R&H.
RALPH A WHITE
Pontiac Sales & Service
15 N. Queen St. Littlestown, Pa
Phone 27

USED CARS FOR SALE
1950 Mercury 4-dr. sdn., R&H.
1949 Packard 4-dr. sdn., OD., R&H.
1948 Chrysler "Royal" sedan.
1948 Packard R&H.
NATIONAL GARAGE CO.
or
TOPPER'S SERVICE STATION

AUTOMOTIVE

● Automobiles for Sale 46

1947 BUICK super convertible. Sacrifice for quick cash sale. Phone 1014-W.

FOR SALE: Model "A" Ford coupe. Allen Kump, Biglerville, R. 1, on the road to Camp Nawakwa.

USED CARS
1952 Buick Roadmaster 4-dr., R&H. Demonstrator, low mileage.
1950 Buick super 4-dr., Dynaflow, R&H.
1950 Buick special 4-dr., R&H.
1949 Buick Roadmaster 4-dr., R&H.
1947 Buick Roadmaster 4-dr., R&H.
1941 Oldsmobile "78" 4-dr, R&H.
1940 Pontiac, 4-dr., R&H.
You get a better used car from a Buick Dealer.
WINTRODE'S BUICK
Sales & Service
N. Queen St. Littlestown, Pa.
Phone 170

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● Miscellaneous 47

DAVIS HOME REPAIR
Now accepting work in Adams Co. Remodeling of all kinds by expert workmen. Custom built kitchens, closets, bathrooms. Interior and exterior painting. Mason and concrete work. All work guaranteed and insured. For free estimate, call Gettysburg 962-R-5.

● Moving-Storage 47a

LOCAL AND long distance, serving 26 Eastern states. H. E. Brinkerhoff & Sons, Inc., 120 Carlisle St., call 661

● Septic Tanks Cleaned 68

SEPTIC TANKS and cess pools cleaned. Sanitary Equipment. Max H. West. Phone Fayetteville 78.

● Radio Repairing 76

RADIO REPAIRING, all makes and models. Baker's Battery Service, opposite Post Office

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

Estate of Nancy Dill, deceased, late of the Borough of Biglerville, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration, d.b.n. upon the estate of the above decedent have been granted unto the undersigned by the Register of Wills of Adams County, Pennsylvania; all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the said decedent are requested to make known the same, and all persons indebted to the said decedent are requested and required to make payment without delay unto the undersigned.

ELIZABETH DILL GILMOUR,
29 Beekman Rd.,
Edge Moor Terrace,
Wilmington 3, Delaware.
Administratrix d.b.n. of the estate of Nancy Dill, deceased.

Keith, Bigham & Markley, Attorneys,
First National Bank Building,
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

GRANT OF LETTERS

In Re: Estate of F. Mark Bream, late of Franklin Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

Notice hereby is given that Letters Testamentary under the last will and testament of the above named decedent have been granted unto the undersigned by the Register of Wills of Adams County, Pennsylvania. All persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to the said decedent are required to make payment without delay unto the undersigned.

RUTH B. MELLINGER,
Executrix.
230 Walnut Street,
Lectonia, Ohio.

Or to her attorneys,
Bullett & Bullett,
The First National Bank Building,
Gettysburg, Pa.

NOTICE

Estate of Ernest G. Miller, deceased, late of Franklin Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamenatry upon the estate of the above decedent have been granted unto the undersigned by the Register of Wills of Adams County, Pennsylvania; all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent are requested to make known the same and all persons indebted to said decedent are requested and required to make payment without delay unto the undersigned.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GETTYSBURG
Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
Executor of the Will
of Ernest G. Miller, deceased.

Or to its attorney,
J. F. Yake, Jr.,
Gettysburg, Penna.

ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the members and policyholders of GETTYSBURG MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY will be held at the principal office of the Company, at the offices of Keith, Bigham & Markley, Second Floor, First National Bank Building, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on Monday, the 12th day of January, 1953, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing not less than seven (7) nor more than sixteen (16) directors to serve for the ensuing year or until their successors are duly chosen, and for the transaction of such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting.

SEWELL E. KAPP
Secretary.

CLERK'S NOTICE

Take notice that The Gettysburg National Bank, Guardian of the Estate of Richard Nelson Boyd, a minor, has filed its First and Final Account and Proposed Schedule in the Office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Adams County, Pennsylvania, and the same will be presented to said Court on Friday, January 23, 1953, at 10:00 o'clock, A.M. for final audit and confirmation; unless exceptions are filed thereto same will be confirmed absolute and distribution decreed as scheduled.

EMMA E. SHEFFER,
Clerk of the Courts.

J. F. Yake, Jr.
Attorney for the Accountant

Cardinal Spellman Arrives In Seoul

SEOUL (AP)—Cardinal Spellman of New York arrived Tuesday for his second Christmas tour of the Korean battle front.

He was met by Gen. James A. Van Fleet, U. S. Eighth Army commander.

He conducted a mass at Eighth Army headquarters today and will see President Syngman Rhee of South Korea.

Cardinal Spellman will spend eight days in Korea. He plans three services close to the front lines on Christmas Day and a special mass at the cathedral in the South Korean capital of Seoul.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT OF ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

In re:
Estate of Louisa Overbaugh, late of the Borough of McSherrystown, Adams County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS, HEIRS, AND NEXT OF KIN OF LOUISA OVERBAUGH, DECEASED, LATE OF THE BOROUGH OF McSHERRYSTOWN, ADAMS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND OTHER PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

Take notice that the undersigned has been appointed by the Orphans' Court of Adams County, Pennsylvania, to make distribution of the balance in the hands of J. Clarence Overbaugh, Administrator; and the undersigned will sit for the purpose of fulfilling the duties of his appointment at his office at 106 Baltimore Street, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, January 14, 1953, at 2:00 o'clock p.m., at which time and place you may appear and be heard if you desire so to do.

JOHN A. MacPHAIL
Auditor

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir:

One fourth of a mile from New Oxford, on the New Chester Road, a lane turns left at a cream colored dwelling, and almost immediately one enters a white covered bridge, under which flows Little Conewago Creek. Upon leaving the bridge directly on the left is a small saw mill, on the right a large stone and brick grist mill, and almost directly in front is a white stone house.

The stone house dates back to 1745, and the cornerstone on the mill is dated 1747, as carved or chiseled by the building; the inscription on the cornerstone reads:

"THA FRANCK
EN TALLER 1747
MILL PILDT BEI
DEOBALT SHOLAS."

There is also another inscription of much later vintage, "burned in 1888 rebuilt in 1888." The lower part, however, of rock, is the original building, and it is in this rock that one finds the original cornerstone.

Deobalt Sholas was a French Huguenot. He had a daughter Mandolin, to whom he willed the mill property.

Mandolin Sholas married First Lt. John Range of Rainge, also a French Huguenot, who fought in the colonial wars and the Revolutionary War. They moved to the stone house and operated the mills. The flour was put in wooden barrels and branded with a large branding iron.

Their first son, Sholas Range, when a young man, lost an arm in the saw mill and died.

The second son, John Jr. in 1799 married a Nancy Myers, daughter of First Lt. Henry Myers, and granddaughter of 2nd Lt. George Myers, both of whom saw service in the Revolutionary War.

There also was a third son born in the little stone house, James, who married Mary Shetrone, daughter of Jacob Shetrone.

For his Revolutionary services, Lt. John Range received a land grant of 250 acres on the Allegheny River, where the city of Tionesta now stands. This he gave to John Jr. and wife Nancy, and they were the first white settlers on those forested banks of the Allegheny River.

After several years Lt. John Range and wife Mandolin moved to Tionesta, and among their most cherished possessions was the branding iron. This rugged old couple died there. Their graves may be seen in River View Cemetery, Tionesta, Pa., and on the court house lawn there is a large stone with bronze plate, placed there by the DAR in honor of his Revolutionary War services.

Son Becomes Minister

John Jr. and Nancy had many children and one was James Lee Range, born 1810. He was my my grandfather, who, when grown, became an ordained United Brethren minister, and lived in Crawford County, Pa. where he married Jane Montgomery McKay of Waterford, Erie County. They reared eleven children, four of whom saw service with the Union Army in the Civil War.

My grandfather, James Lee Range, had a keepsake: What was it? The old branding iron from the ancestoral flour mill. But alas, as in all wars metal is precious, and in the Civil War, the old branding iron had to be fashioned into hinges for the barn door.

Rev. James Lee Range's youngest son was George W. Range, my father, who went West to the Pacific coast in 1876 to what was then Washington Territory.

There I was reared in the town of Dayton, Washington.

All my life I have heard of the old stone mill on Little Conewago Creek built by my great-great-great-grandfather, Deobalt Shalos.

And so today I have returned to the land of my ancestors, where they came as an oppressed people, from Europe, to the freedom of the new world. How I would love to know more about them, and maybe find their graves marked in some small cemetery.

To me this mill and house seem very old and exciting, but no one to whom I have talked seems to know much about it.

This mill now sits on an 18-acre plot and everything is in such good repair it was a joy to see. The present owner is Frank Fleshman.

Mrs. Esther Range Eager
Dayton, Washington.

Your heat problems are over when you use —
TEXACO
FUEL OIL
AND KEROSENE
CALL US— 264
CITIZENS OIL CO.

Trouble Comes In Double Doses Here

LEBANON, Pa. (AP) — Trouble comes in double doses for the family of William Yeagley of nearby Fredericksburg.

On Monday his house at Camp Carson, a YMCA summer camp where he is caretaker, caught fire. While Yeagley and his brother-in-law, Harvey Koch, were fighting the blaze, Mrs. Yeagley and the couple's three children went to the family car to sit out the excitement.

In the car, 5-year-old Samuel Yeagley found a rifle bullet and stuck it in the car's cigarette lighter. It exploded sending Samuel to the hospital for seven stitches in his left hand.

The fire caused $500 damage to the house.

WOMAN SPY IS GIVEN 18 YEARS

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — A Yugoslav district court sentenced Ljuba Basic, petite, attractive Russian woman, to 18 years in prison Tuesday on charges of spying for the Soviet Union.

The brown-haired, 31-year-old woman was convicted largely on the testimony of her husband, a Russian-trained former Yugoslav flier who is serving a prison term himself as a Cominform collaborator.

Jovan Basic, the husband, testified in a deposition from prison, along with other witnesses, that Ljuba worked for Russia's dreaded NKVD secret police in close cooperation with the Soviet Embassy here even before the Cominform denounced the Tito government in 1948.

The woman denied the charge. She contended that her only contact with Russians in Belgrade came through two Soviet correspondents she met at the Russian House of Culture. She said she became attracted to them "because they had such wonderful eyes."

The prosecution, however, charged that she collected information about a group of Yugoslav army officers tried and sentenced for Cominform activity in 1949, and turned this material over to the NKVD for propaganda use against Yugoslavia.

THROW FRUIT AT C. CHAPLIN

ROME, Italy (AP) — Police held four Italian pro-Fascists today under charges of hurling rotten fruit and vegetables at Charlie Chaplin at the gala society premier here of his movie "Limelight."

Chaplin was bombarded Monday Monday's "bombardment" as he by the four members of the pro-Fascist Italian Social Movement as the rest of a crowd of about 100 cheered him on his arrival at the movie hall.

Chaplin was struck several times but continued to smile and walked on into the theater.

Italy's President Luigi Einaudi and his wife headed the elegantly garbed audience of society figures, officials and diplomats who attended the showing.

Chaplin made no comment on Monday's "bombardment" as he and his wife left by air for Geneva Tuesday. They will spend Christmas with their children in Switzerland.

Rome's MSI newspaper gave the incident two paragraphs on an inside page. Most of the rest of the Rome press deplored the happening and said that to a great majority of Italians, Chaplin is "the greatest of the great" in the movie industry.

MEANY BEING REALISTIC ON T-H CHANGES

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP) — George Meany, president of the American Federation of Labor, was simply facing up to reality when he said his organization is ready to settle for less than repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act.

Neither Meany nor any other leader of organized labor is in position to insist on wiping out T-H which was passed over President Truman's veto in 1947 when the Republicans last controlled Congress.

Union leaders now, with the Republicans once again in control, have to settle for the best they can get, which won't be any more than some changes in T-H. They'll have to concentrate on getting the changes they want.

Didn't Promise Repeal

They had given their support in the last election to the Democrats, who had promised repeal of T-H. But the Democrats had promised the same thing in 1948 and couldn't deliver.

And, if they had won this time, they probably could not have delivered either. In recent years, no matter who controlled Congress, organized labor simply did not have enough support among the legislators to kill T-H.

In their 1952 campaign the Republicans didn't promise repeal. They talked only of making changes. Meany expressed confidence that organized labor, through the Republicans, could "get the kind of law we want" by amending T-H.

Committees Say Was Final

And that's the most organized labor can expect to see done to the law which was sponsored by Sen. Taft, Ohio Republican, when he was chairman of the Senate Labor Committee in 1947-48.

Judging from the voting records of the labor committee members—all the Democrats and some of the Republicans—it's unlikely any T-H changes would be approved by the committee unpleasing to organized labor.

It's the job of the labor committee to consider proposed changes in T-H and then approve only those it wants. This is not final. The House Labor Committee will make a similar study, and then the full Senate and House have their say.

Final Vote Decides

No matter what changes the committees like, the senators and House members on the floor can offer any amendments they want before final vote.

So the kind of changes blessed by the two labor committees could be dropped and entirely different ones substituted on the floor by members less friendly to organized labor than some of the committee members.

Fossil sequoia trees were known to science long before the living specimens were discovered in California.

Sheriff's Sale

IN PURSUANCE of a Writ of FIERI FACIAS issuing out of the Court of Common Pleas of Adams County, and to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale on SATURDAY, the 17th day of Jan., 1953, at 10:15 o'clock in the forenoon at the Court House in the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams County, Pa., the following Real Estate, viz.:

All that lot of ground situate, lying and being in Straban Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a point in the center of a public road leading from Hunterstown to the Lincoln Highway with an iron pin set back along the line; thence running by land now or formerly of Donald F. Miller North 75¾ degrees West 305 feet to an iron pin; thence running by land now or formerly of Charles Baird North 17½ degrees East 100 feet to a iron pin; thence running by land now or formerly of James E. Ford South 76 degrees East 287 feet to a point in the center of said road with an iron pin set back along the line; thence running in the center of said highway South 11½ degrees West 100 feet to a point in the center of said road with an iron pin set back along the line, the place of BEGINNING. CONTAINING 108 perches and 197 square feet.

Said lot of ground being the same which Clarence Ford and Jean Ford, his wife, by their deed dated September 25, 1950, recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Adams County, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book 192 at page 114, did sell and convey unto John F. Eck and Mary C. Eck, husband and wife.

Seized and taken into execution as the property of John F. Eck and Mary C. Eck, husband and wife, and to be sold by me

DORSEY J. SCHULTZ, Sheriff
Sheriff's Office, Gettysburg, Pa., Dec. 22nd, 1952

Ten per cent of the purchase price is payable in cash immediately after the sale and the balance of the purchase price, plus making, docketing and recording of deed, is payable in cash five days prior to the return day of the writ of execution; if conditions are not complied with the property will be resold and the defaulting purchaser will be liable for the deficiency, if any.

Sheriff's Sale

IN PURSUANCE of a Writ of LEVARI FACIAS issuing out of the Court of Common Pleas of Adams County, and to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale on SATURDAY, the 17th day of January, 1953, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Court House in the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams County, Pa., the following Real Estate, viz.:

Property situate in Franklin Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

On the North by Ernest Saum
On the South by Bruce Gallagher
On the East by Ernest Shultz
On the West by Daniel Mickley

Seized and taken into execution as the property of Arthur Kint Estate and to be sold by me

DORSEY J. SCHULTZ, Sheriff
Sheriff's Office, Gettysburg, Pa., December 13, 1952.

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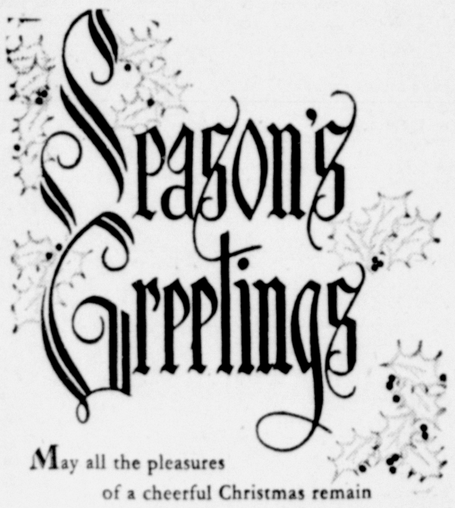
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Thursday, December 25

P.M.	WNBC 660k FM 97.1m	WOR 710k FM 98.7 (3 a.m.-12 M)	WJZ 770k FM 95.5m	WCBS 880k FM 101.1m
8:00	News; G. Rayburn,	News, P. Robinson	Tom Reddy Show	News Roundup
8:15	comedy & music	Breakfast with	The Fitzgeralds—	Bob Haymes Show,
8:30	Jinx Falkenburg and	Dorothy and Dick	Ed and Pegeen	musical variety
8:45	Tex McCrary—	Kollmar	8:55, John Conte	" "
9:00	guest and	News, H. Hennessy	Breakfast Club, with	This Is New York,
9:15	interview	Jimmy Carroll Show	Don McNeill,	with Bill Leonard
9:30	Jim Coy with news	The McCanns at	Sam Cowling,	Joan Edwards Show,
9:45	and records	Home	variety show	songs and stories
10:00	Welcome Travelers,	News, H. Gladstone	My True Story	Arthur Godfrey Time
10:15	Tommy Bartlett	Martha Deane and	10:25, Whispering	Tony Marvin,
10:30	Herb Sheldon Show	St. Peter's School	Streets, drama	The Mariners,
10:45	Victor Lindlahr	for Boys	When a Girl Marries	Marion Marlowe,
11:00	Strike It Rich,	Ladies Fair, with	Like a Millionaire,	Janette Davis,
11:15	with Warren Hull	Tom Moore	Jack Gregson	Frank Parker
11:30	Bob and Ray	Queen for a Day,	Break the Bank,	Grand Slam, quiz
11:45	Bob Hope Show	with Jack Bailey	with Bud Collyer	Rosemary
	AFTERNOON PROGRAMS			12-25
Noon	News; The Faye	Curt Massey Time	News; Jack Berch	Wendy Warren, news
12:15	Emerson Show	H. R. Baukhage	Queen Elizabeth	Aunt Jenny
12:30	" "	News, P. Robinson	Kitchen Kapers, with	Helen Trent
12:45	Skitch Henderson	Food Guide	Tom Reddy	Our Gal Sunday
1:00	Show, music	Luncheon at Sardi's,	Mary Margaret	Big Sister
1:15	" "	interviews	McBride, with	Ma Perkins
1:30	Conrad Nagel Show,	Barbara Welles and	guests and	Young Dr. Malone
1:45	news and music	Dr. Norman Peale	commentary	The Guiding Light
2:00	News; Herb Sheldon	Omaha Calling—	Eddie Dunn Show,	Second Mrs. Burton
2:15	Show	G. I.'s in Korea	variety	Perry Mason
2:30	Dave Garroway	talk with their	" "	This Is Nora Drake
2:45	Kukla, Fran & Ollie	families	" "	The Brighter Day
3:00	Life Can Be Beautiful	John B. Gambling	" "	Hilltop House
3:15	Road of Life	Club, music	Health Aids	House Party, with
3:30	PepperYoung Family	Patt Barnes	Tennessee Ernie,	Art Linkletter
3:45	Right to Happiness	Queen Elizabeth	disk jockey	3:50, Home Folks
4:00	Backstage Wife	Jack Kirkwood	Cal Tinney Show	News; Emily
4:15	Stella Dallas	Show, variety	" "	Kimbrough Show
4:30	YoungWidderBrown	The Merry Mailman	Dean Cameron Show,	Housewives League,
4:45	Woman in My House	Shriner Christmas	commentary	Galen Drake
5:00	Just Plain Bill	Sgt. Preston of the	Big Jon and Sparkie	News; John Henry
5:15	Front Page Farrell	Yukon, drama	Bobby Sherwood	Faulk, with
5:30	Lorenzo Jones	Sky King, drama	Christmas in Korea,	music and stories
5:45	The Doctor's Wife	5:55, Cecil Brown	special program	5:55, This I Believe
	EVENING PROGRAMS			
	WNBC	WOR	WJZ	WCBS
6:00	News, Ken Banghart	On the Human Side	G. Hamilton Combs	News, Bill Shadel
6:15	Sports; Columns	Dorothy and Dick	Allen Stuart Show,	Queen Elizabeth
6:30	Bob and Ray	News, H. Gladstone	records	Cart Massey Time
6:45	Three Star Extra	Sports, Stan Lomax	" "	Lowell Thomas, news
7:00	The Symphonette,	Fulton Lewis jr.	News, Taylor Grant	Beulah, comedy
7:15	Mishel Piastro	News; Bing Crosby	Elmer Davis, news	Jack Smith Show
7:30	News, M. Beatty	Gabriel Heatter	The Silver Eagle,	adventure drama
7:45	One Man's Family	Mutual Newsreel	adventure drama	Edward R. Murrow
8:00	Roy Rogers Show,	Casanova Adventure,	The Top Guy, with	Meet Millie, with
8:15	Western variety	Errol Flynn	J. Scott Smart	Audrey Totter
8:30	Father Knows Best,	The Hardy Family,	Heritage, a drama	Junior Miss, with
8:45	with Robert Young	Mickey Rooney	about our past	Barbara Whiting
9:00	Truth, Consequences	News; Rod and Gun	A Christmas Carol,	Romance, drama:
9:15	Ralph Edwards	Club, discussion	Alec Guinness	Herbert Marshall
9:30	Eddie Cantor Show,	On & Off the Record,	Michael Shayne, with	Bing Crosby Show:
9:45	music and stories	Eugenie Baird	Robert Sterling	Gary Crosby
10:00	Judy Canova Show,	Frank Edwards	News, John Daly	News; There's Music
10:15	comedy	I Love a Mystery	George Hamilton	in the Air
10:30	News; Through the	Weather; The Show	Combs, with	Art Waner
10:45	Years, J. Pickens	Shop; sports	Spotlight, N. Y.	Orchestra
11:00	News, Ken Banghart	News, Lyle Van	Vince Williams Show	News and Analysis
11:15	Skitch Henderson	Music We Like	records and	Galen Drake
11:30	Show, music	Weather; Guy	interviews	Tommy Dorsey
11:45	" "	Lombardo Orch.	" "	Orchestra

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7:45	One Man's Family	Herald TribuneNews	Western drama	Edward R. Murrow
8:00	Your Hit Parade,	Adventures of Mainie	Crime Letter, with	Mr. Keen, Tracer of
8:15	Guy Lombardo	Ann Sothern	Myron McCormick	Lost Persons
8:30	Name That Tune,	Gracie Fields Show,	This Is Your F. B. I.,	Yours Truly, Johnny
8:45	with Red Benson	variety	drama	Dollar, John Laud
9:00	Best Plays, drama:	East-West Training	Ozzie and Harriet,	Mr. Chameleon,
9:15	A Bell for Adano,	Camp Show	family comedy	mystery drama
9:30	Arthur Kennedy,	On & Off the Record,	Meet Corliss Archer,	The Line-Up,
9:45	Myron McCormick	Eugenie Baird	with Janet Waldo	police drama
10:00	Hy Gardner Calling	Frank Edwards	Boxing, the Garden:	News; Capitol
10:15	Words in the Night	I Love a Mystery	Don Williams vs.	Cloakroom
10:30	News; Previews	Weather; The Show	Vince Martinez	Charlie Spivak
10:45	Pro and Con	Shop; sports	10:40, John Daly	Orchestra
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11:15	Skitch Henderson	Kyle MacDonnell	records and	Galen Drake
11:30	Show, music	San Francisco Press	interviews	Teddy Powell
11:45	" "	Club dinner	" "	Orchestra

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Approximately 450 children attended the annual "Kiddies Christmas Party" held by the Albert J. Lentz Post of the American Legion at the post home on Baltimore St. Monday night.

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Ice cream and cake were served the children by members of the Auxiliary and the members of the post's entertainment committee. Fred Pfeffer was in charge of make-up.

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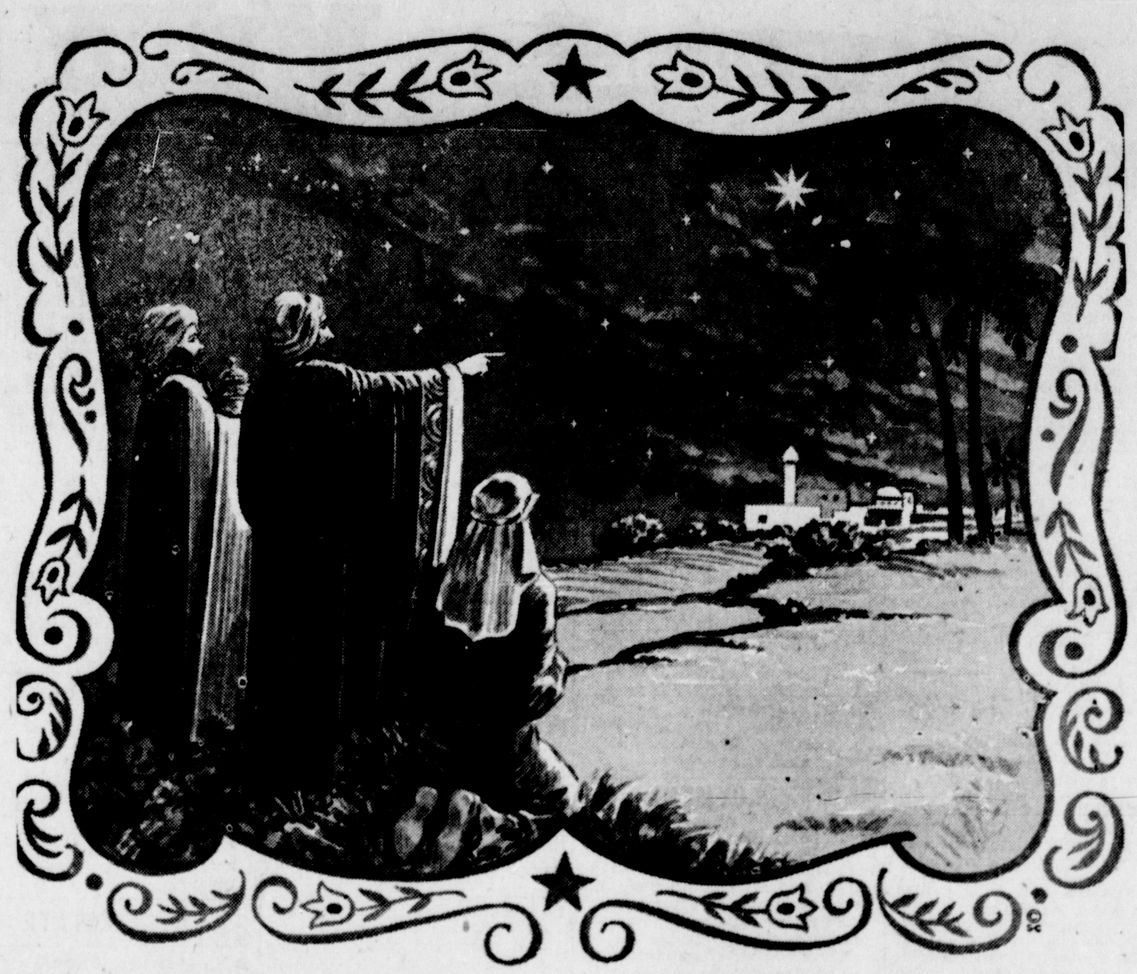
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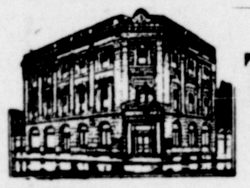
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PUBLIC SALE

OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 1953

The undersigned, Executors of the Will of Harry N. Gebhart, deceased, late of Mount Pleasant Township, Adams County, Pennsylvania, will offer at public sale on the premises at the late residence of the decedent in the Village of Bonneauville, Mount Pleasant Township, aforesaid, on Saturday, January 17, 1953, the following:

Personal Property, 1:00 O'clock P. M., E.S.T.

Antiques including 6 plank-bottom chairs, corner cupboard with glass doors, drop-leaf table, 2 blanket chests, spinning wheel, 2 stands, brass kettle, coffee mill, dry sink, buggy lamp, kerosene lamps, lot of picture frames, Currier and Ives prints, O-Gee mirror, lot of dishes, pattern glass and china.

Furniture including cookstove, library table, desk, 4 cane-seated chairs, 3 rocking chairs, 2 dressers, beds and springs, buffet, victrola, wardrobe, washstands, cooking utensils, lot of dishes, 2 gun cases, 12-gauge double barrrel shotgun, 25-20 Winchester lever action rifle.

Tools including forge anvil, extension ladder, lawn mower, carpenter, mason and blacksmith tools, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

Real Estate, 1:30 O'clock P.M., E.S.T.

Lot, No. 1: A lot of ground situate in the Village of Bonneauville aforesaid, bounded on the North by an alley, on the South by the state highway, on the East by Mary Gebhart and on the West by an alley, improved with 2½-story frame house and outbuildings.

Lot. No. 2: A lot of ground North of Lot No. 1, improved with garage and outbuildings.

The terms and conditions of this sale will be made at the time thereof by the undersigned.

Clair Slaybaugh, Auctioneer
J. F. Yake, Jr., Attorney

Leo C. Gebhart
Roy A. Gebhart
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Executors

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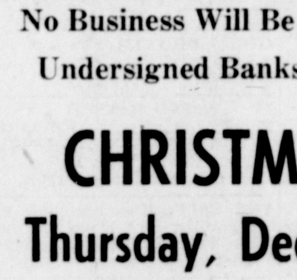
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the birth of Jesus.....

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:) to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first-born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.



the visit of the shepherds....

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

the visit of the wise men...

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privately called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.





To all our friends...here's to a Merry Christmas and a very gay New Year.

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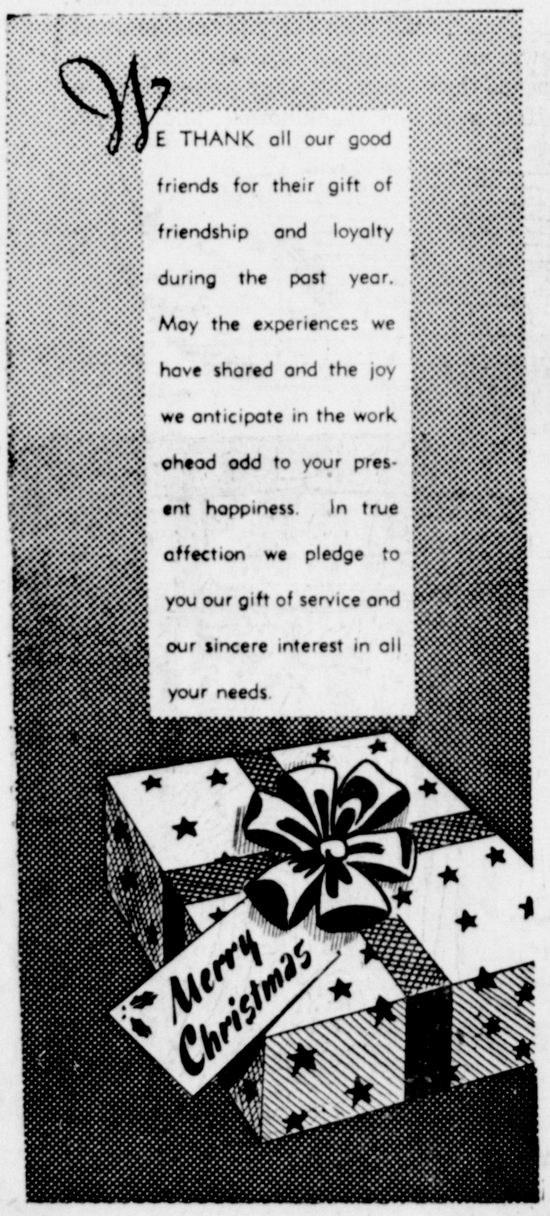
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ONE OF THEM

By ANNE O'SULLIVAN

Hesitant but determined, Ransome had brought his fiancee, Hilda, home for Christmas to his parents' mountain ranch. Now, on Christmas Eve, Bridget, his young school-teaching sister, and Gloria, his white-collar sister, sat in the pine-panelled living room, admiring the yet undecorated Christmas tree. And Hilda seemed to be getting along particularly well with Gloria, the ambitious, the contemptuous sister whose city veneer denied her mountain heritage.

He was the first to stir from the surprising but comfortable dark. "I'll take care of it, Ma," he called toward the kitchen, "probably just a blown out fuse."

"Wouldn't you know it?" Gloria's voice rose sharply, complainingly.

"Hear that wind?" Ma asked with the low, pleasant chuckle that characterized her to her family.

Pa, armed with a lantern, stamped in the back door, shedding snow as he shook his heavy jacket off. "Brrr, a real snow-piling easterner, but the animals are all right."

"Did you check the fuse box, Pa?" Ran asked.

"Not much use — the wind probably took care of a transformer. What's the matter, boy? When you were living at home we didn't even have electricity."

"Yeah, well, we still got plenty lanterns around?"

"Long as we got horsesense, we'll keep the lanterns ready," it was Ma's turn to laugh. "Likely our lights'll be off two-three more times this winter."

"It's that Hilda he's thinking of," Pa said shrewdly. "Let's go in with the girls. She's a fine girl, Ransome."

"We can't trim the tree, Pa, when the light strings won't work," Gloria sounded petulant, dissatisfied. Was Hilda disappointed too? Ran wondered.



"I wish you'd let me help," Hilda said.

Ma and Pa laughed, "You sure have the all firedest short memory!"

"Remember the times we trimmed the tree with popcorn balls and all?" Bridget asked. Let's do it tonight, shall we, Ma?"

"Why, of course, Pa and I'd get a sight of pleasure out of that. How about you, Hilda?"

"I'd like to help." To Ran she sounded enthusiastic, but maybe it was just politeness.

"A sight more work too," Gloria pointed out. "Why you won't move. . ."

"I'll need another lantern for the kitchen, Pa, if I'm to string cranberries," Bridget interrupted zestfully.

Ran knelt beside the deep fireplace, built by his great-grandfather, to stir the coals. As a boy he had risked burning himself to pop corn in a frying pan; now they had a long-handled popper. The angry surge of wind reassured him in a strange way. He was at home. Safe and protected. If only Hilda could share his feeling for this place. . .

He leaned on his heels, whistling as the kernels began to pop. "I wish you'd let me help," Hilda said, "Bridget sent me in with a bowl, salt and butter."

Ran moved aside, finding it natural for Hilda to kneel and work beside him. Her eyes sparkled and her face was flushed in the firelight, but Ran missed his chance to ask if she were happy when Bridget summoned them to string popcorn.

Gloria held up a string of popcorn. "Not half so pretty as tinsel."

"Means more," Bridget said. "Seems like popcorn strings have a special beauty — the kind you can't buy."

Soon the Christmas tree was festooned with strings of popcorn and cranberries It looked beautiful to Ran even before they moved presents underneath. He caught the satisfaction on everyone's face, though Gloria still looked cynical.

Just then Hilda rushed out of the room and went upstairs. When she came back, she paused half-shyly in the doorway, an accordion in her arms, "I thought you'd have a piano and, now that the radio's off, maybe you'd like some carols? It's been such a perfect evening."

Ran knew then, as he guided her into the circle and saw the family make way for her, that Hilda was one of them and his voice rose exultantly in "O, Come All Ye Faithful."

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DOROTHY BOYS KILIAN

Nan Raymond, seated in white starched loneliness at the hall desk of Ridgedale's ten-bed community hospital, started disconsolately at the tiny table tree which she had just finished trimming.

"Would it be just too much to ask you to take Christmas Eve duty for me, Nan?" Grace, the other night nurse, had asked her some days ago. "I know you aren't going to be able to get home for the holidays anyway, and my family is right here in town."

"Why, yes," Nan had answered slowly. "I suppose I might as well be on the job as anywhere."

The urgent ringing of a bell broke in on her lonely dreams—the handbell of the patient in room two.

"Old Smithers! I wonder what long-winded complaint she'll have now," Nan groaned.

Celebrating Alone

She opened the door. Mrs. Smith, every grey hair in place, was sitting bolt upright in bed. "I'm expecting a visitor tonight. Where is he?" the old lady snapped.

"If anyone asks for you, of course I'll bring him up," Nan forced herself to answer politely.

"It's almost nine o'clock, and Algernon wrote definitely that he'd make it for Christmas Eve." Mrs. Smith glared at Nan. "It's bad enough being here, let alone trying to celebrate alone."

"I'm not celebrating either, Mrs. Smith." Nan tried to sound sympathetic.

"Oh, you,— you're young and strong, and well, this is your job." The woman sighed. "How well I remember Christmases when I was your age! Sit down a minute and I'll tell you about the time we—"

"I'm so sorry, Mrs. Smith, but I have some things I really must do."

The old lady ignored her excuse — "The time we invited the church choir to supper and to help decorate our tree before choir practice," she went on. "Well, somebody began a carol as he tied a popcorn ball to a branch, and, do you know, before the last apple was hung on the tree, we had gone through our whole blessed program."

Star And Popcorn Balls

"Did you always put a star on the top of your tree?"

"Oh, my, yes," Mrs. Smith smiled. "I'll tell you just exactly what we did use for decorations. Let's see, now. There were the popcorn balls, and cranberry chains."

When the doorbell downstairs rang suddenly, Mrs. Smith brought herself up in the middle of a sentence and chuckled, "Thank you for listening to an old bore, my dear. Now you just go see if that isn't Algernon."

A young man, bare headed, with coat collar turned up to meet a tousel of snady hair, smiled at her throught the gloom. "Are you



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the unfortunate gal who's taking care of my Granny Smith?" he asked.

An imperious voice called from upstairs, "Is that you, Algernon?"

The young man grinned at Nan. "Awful, isn't it, but it does help to shorten it to 'Al'."

Nan led the way upstairs. As they entered room two Mrs. Smith held out her arms affectionatley to the visitor, saying at the same time, "You look startled, Miss Raymond. I'll wager you never dreamed an old fuddy-duddy like me could have such a personable relative."

"Well, I guess I did expect—"

"I can imagine what you did expect," Mrs. Smith laughed. Then turning to her grandson, "You won't be able to stay with me, as we had planned, but luckily, there's a decent little hotel downtown."

"Couldn't I stay at your house, anyway, Granny? A hotel's such a lonesome place at Christmas time," Al pleaded.

"The house is all closed up," Mrs. Smith answered. "But, never fear, just this evening I have found a local cure for loneliness." She smiled at Nan. "This young lady sat here this evening and put up so cheerfully with my long-winded reminiscences, that I talked myself right out of a horrible mood into a pleasant glow. If you go at it the right way, I'm sure she can do the same for you."

Al said quickly, "Would having Christmas dinner with me at the hotel be a good beginning, Miss Raymond?"

"I think it would," Nan agreed.



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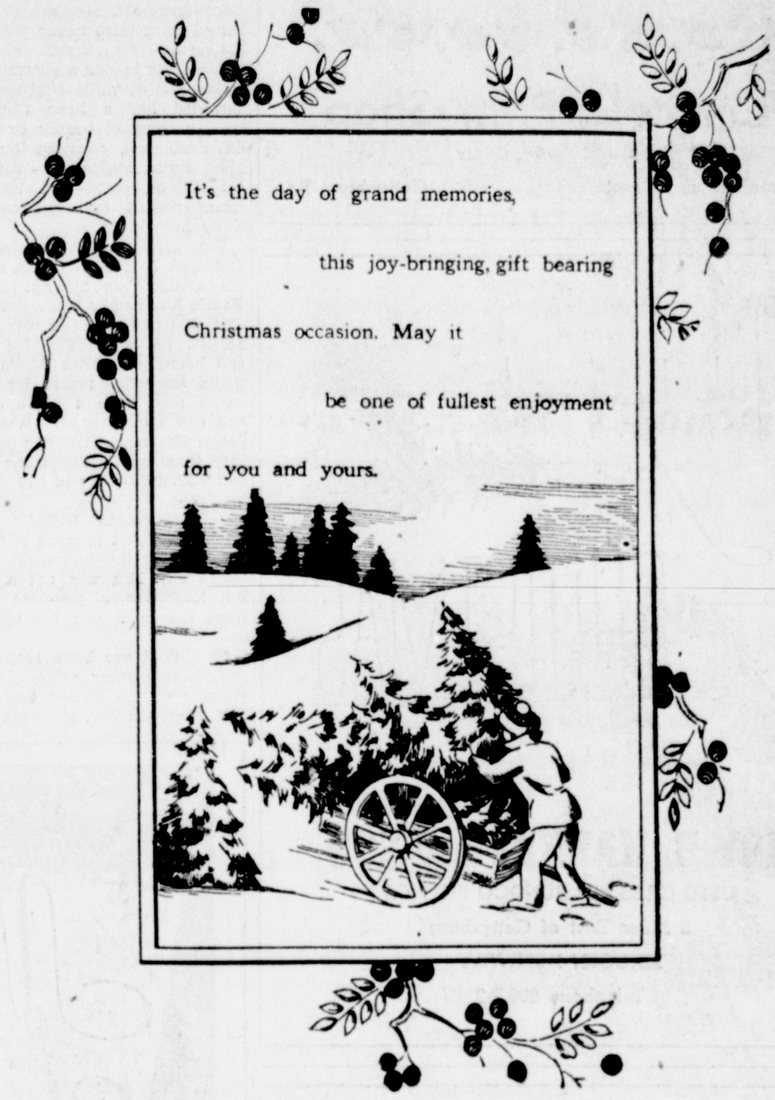
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THE WAYWARD SON

By JOYCE MADISON

Earl stepped off the mine lift and took a deep breath of chill December air. Guess a fellow raised on a farm never gets over hankering for fresh air, he thought. He lighted a cigarette and looked out over the city below. It sprawled like a huge Christmas tree, a thing of beauty by night, but drab and colorless by daylight. Butte, Montana, — the richest hill on earth—and that hill honey-combed by men carrying away her riches.

Earl started down Excelsior St. and then took a short cut toward his rooming house. Tonight was New Year's Eve and he had a date with Min. His pay envelope was in his pocket. He would pay his room and board and with Min's help would throw the remainder. They would start with a steak dinner and end up somewhere when the dough was gone. That was the way they had spent Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day in bed with a headache.

Pleasant Relief

Mom wouldn't approve of throwing the wad the first night. Mom would say Min was not a lady. But Min was a pleasant relief from the mine and the rooming house.

He shared one large room with some dozen other miners, whose silicosis coughs racked the night. The mine, the bar, the bunk—that was his life. Better than the ranch though. The ranch furnished endless drudgery from sun up to sun down. The mine was only for forty hours.

It was a dry winter and he was making good time on the short cut. The gravel path was lost in darkness. He miner's helmet sat cockily on the back of his head as he hurried along, sliding sometimes on the down grade.

Suddenly the path gave way under him and he was falling through space. An old mine shaft! There were plenty of them in Butte. He spread-eagled his arms and they caught solid ground in front, leaving him suspended over the pit. His toes fought for a hold, but the ground was frozen and he could make no impression. He flailed against the wall, his shoes slipping like a spinning tire.

His arms were tired from the strain and his fingers raked the gravel trying to cling to something.

His whole life flashed before him. Happy carefree days of childhood. They seemed carefree now. Perhaps chores were a necessary evil. Eternal milking, swilling, pitching manure. Chopping holes in the ice for the stock, hauling feed. Never start for town but some of the stock were out and had to be caught. Always something.

Time Running Out

So he ran away and came to Butte. Never been back. Three years now. He was a hard rock miner. Friendly Butte? Not to a boy away from home. Forty hours in the mine. Forty in the bars. Forty in the rooming house. What'd he do with the rest of his time? Always had plenty 'til now. It was running out pretty fast. His



Suddenly the path gave way under him and he was falling through space.

arms were getting numb. He would have to let go and then. . .

St. John's bells chimed out the hour. One! Two! Three! Great booming tones. Four! Five! Six!

Six o'clock was winter supper time on the ranch. He could picture his parents sitting at the table. Evening devotions. His father's voice, "Lord, we thank Thee for Thy many mercies. . ." He would mention all the family by name and ask a blessing for each. And the wayward son? Earl knew well enough his father would seek the Lord's protection for him.

Home For Holiday

A calm settled over his strained nerves and he could think clearly. Since he fell forward into the pit and his arms were resting on the far side, it must be narrow. He kicked behind with one foot and struck earth. He braced himself with both feet, and with a mighty push scrambled over the edge.

Sick from the ordeal, he lay quietly for a long time. Finally he sat up, lighted his miner's lamp and threw the beam into the hole. Then whistled softly and looked about, recognizing the site of a burned gas station. He had been dangling over the grease pit, his feet only a few inches from the bottom.

Suddenly a longing for the ranch and family possessed him. He jumped to his feet and ran down the hill. If he hurried he could catch the bus and be home for New Year.

NOVEL CUSTOMS STILL OBSERVED

Neither gaiety nor giddiness quite describes some of the odd and ancient customs that color the New Year season in Scotland.

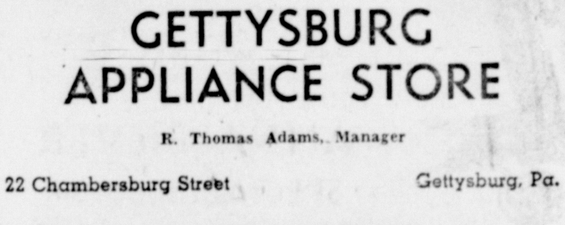
On January 12 at Burghead, Morayshire, they preserve the pagan Yule-fires with "The Burning of the Clavie." The "Clavie" is a tar-filled barrel, which is lit with a flaming brand and carried round the town. It is then rolled down a local hillside where villagers scramble for the burning embers as luck-bringers.

The men of Stonehaven, Kincardineshire, march through the the streets swinging Fireballs of tallowed rope and, all over Scotland, bonfires blaze, burning the Old Year out.

than the rest.

But you have to take the trip to the remote Shetland Islands to see what is perhaps the finest Fire Festival of all. It's called "Up-helly-a' " and takes place at the end of January in Lerwick. Here a replica of a Norse galley is towed to the pierhead complete with crew of Vikings in helmets and mail, carrying flaming torches. A gun is fired from the fort, rockets soar from the ships in harbor and at the signal of a bugle call, four-or five hundred spark-trails arc down the night, as the torches are tossed into the galley,

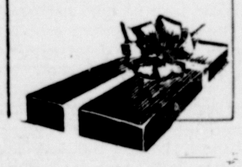
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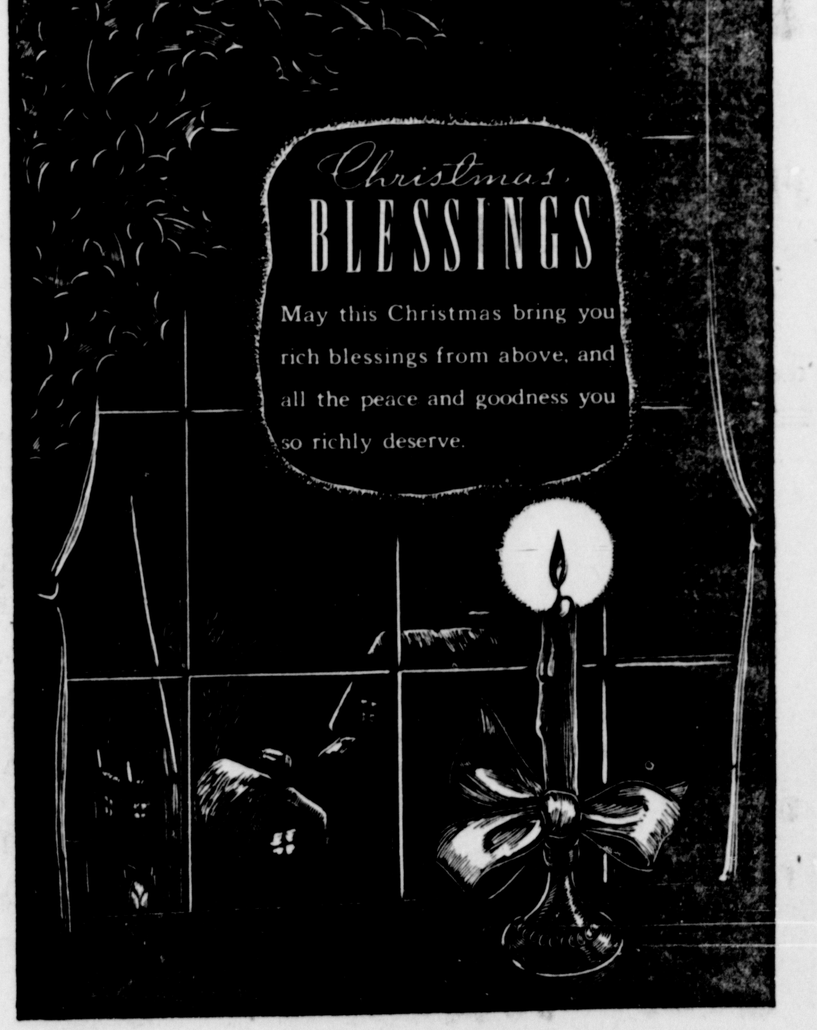
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Homemade SANTA

By ANCEL BEAUREGARD

Harvey Butler ran a chapped hand through the lank brown hair that fell over his forehead and stared contemptuously at Jack and Gordon Linter. Their blue eyes were on him, wide and questioning.

"You sure there ain't no Santa Claus?" six-year-old Gordon asked worriedly.

Harvey laughed. 'Course the Linters were little kids, six and seven, but they ought to know better. "You think I'd be parading around in split-out jeans an' a patched shirt if there was?"

"Probably Santa Claus is bringing you new ones for Christmas," Jack said hopefully.

Harvey sneered, thinking of the barren Christmases at his house. They were lucky if they had a tree even. This year on account of his little sister — just over three now — mom had said they'd try to have some presents. "Any new clothes I get we buy," he said, "an' usually I just get my cousin's old stuff. Hand-me-downs, mom calls them."

Santa For Others

"Well," again Gordon looked hopeful, "that doesn't mean anything. Mostly Santa brings toys, not clothes."

"Not to me, he doesn't. I tell you there isn't a Santa Claus except for your folks."

Gordon's eyes filled with tears and Jack looked like crying. "Are you sure?" he asked, his voice quavering. "Your little sister told me Santa Claus—Kaws she calls



"You were just kidding us, weren't you, Harvey? There really is a Santa Claus?"

him—is coming to your house."

The wind seemed to whistle through all the holes and thin places in Harvey's clothes. "Carol said that? Honest?"

"Yeah," Jack said, "you know how funny she talks. She said he was coming through the door, 'cause you don't have a chimney, when the lights are out and bring her a doll and some other things."

"What things? Try and remember." Harvey felt chilled. If Carol was expecting Santa Claus counting on him like these kids . . . How would she feel when he didn't come?

"Doll cradle and a wagon," Gordon said. "And a trike — 'twike' she called it — painted red. You were just kidding us, weren't you, Harvey?"

Stung By Remorse

Harvey looked at their faces and felt mean that he had told them the truth. After all, he was eleven, big enough to know better, and they were just little guys. "Sure, I guess there's a Santa Claus, but sometimes he doesn't get to all the houses. Like Carol said, we don't have a chimney for him to come down, so he probably missed us a couple of times."

The light was back in the boys eyes. "Sure, that's it. What're ya making that scowly face for, Harvey?"

This time Harvey chose his words carefully. "Well, he might miss our house again this year and Carol'd sure be disappointed, so I was trying to think how I could see she got what she wanted. I think I can make her a wagon at the Boy's Club and a wooden cradle. You think that'd work?"

Haircut For Doll

"Sure," Gordon agreed enthusiactically, "long as she thinks Santa brought them, she won't know the difference."

"What about the doll and the tricycle? You can't make those," Jack pointed out.

Harvey shivered, leaning against the board fence. "Mom gave me money for a haircut that I could use for a doll." Usually Mom gave him haircuts 'cause they were so expensive, but she had a burned hand now.

"Hey, Jack," Gordon shouted excitedly, "how about that old trike in the garage? Harvey could fix the wheel. . ."

"Sure," Gordon answered, "and I'll bet we can find some red paint."

"And we could make her some blocks at the Boy's Club easy."

Harvey shoved his hands in his pockets, swallowing quickly. "Gee, that'd be fine, she doesn't have any now. See you later."

"Come on, Gordon," he heard Jack yell happily, "let's go find that trike."

As Harvey hurried toward the barber shop, he was glad he hadn't persuaded them there wasn't a real Santa Claus. It didn't seem to matter so much with all of them trying to make Carol happy. That was the way Christmas should be.

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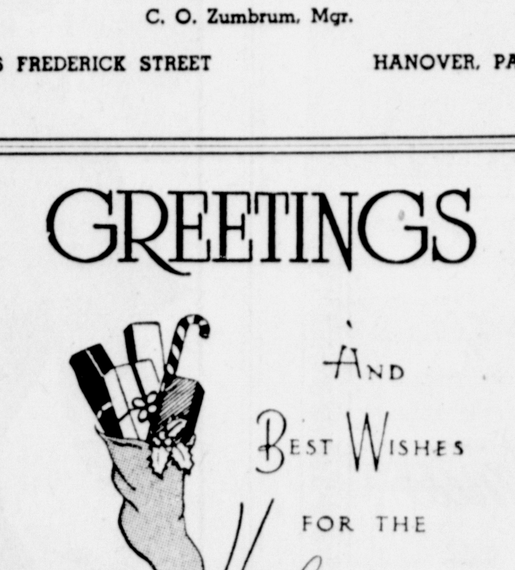


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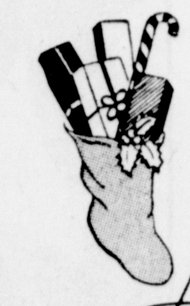
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By DOROTHY BOYS KILIAN

It was a thrill to be racing along the desert highway in this sleek yellow convertible, but a sense of guilt kept Emily from enjoying it as much as she wanted to. Jim had had a right to be surprised when she told him she was going to the New Year's Eve square dance with Dick.

"But you hadn't asked me to go with you, Jim," she had said defensively.

"I just took it for granted, and thought you did too, Emily," he said slowly. "You know we've been partying together all this year until this dude came out for his winter vacation."

"Happy, baby?" Dick brought her back to the present as he patted her knee.

Emily edged away a little, and admitted, This is fun."

"So much fun," Dick agreed, "that it's going to be over too soon. And I don't think this kind of a New Year's party will be too exciting anyway. Let's do a little stalling somewhere."

Following Wheel Tracks

"There's no place to stall along here," Emily laughed. "There isn't a decent side road in twenty miles."

"How about these wheel tracks I see trailing off into the sand once in a while?" Dick asked.

"Oh, they lead to mines over in the canyons, or homesteads back in the foothills. But they're not meant for low-slung cars like this."

"Here's one that's more distinct than the others," Dick said, slowing down.

"It goes about four miles over to a dry lake bed," Emily said, "where some of the fellows race their cars on weekends."

"Say, let's try it," Dick said. "This bus is no hot-rod, but it can really roll just the same when you let it all out."

"Well—" Emily hesitated. "It would be fun, but the ruts are pretty deep until you get to the lake bed itself."

"We'll take the chance," Dick said, gaily turning into the sandy



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tracks.

"I guess we will make it," Emily said a few minutes later, as they rounded a little curve. "As long as you keep moving fast in these ruts you're fairly safe. It's only when you stop—"

Stuck In The Sand

The car slowed almost to a stop, and they could feel the wheels beginning to spin in the soft sand.

"Now you've really done it," Emily groaned.

"Don't worry, little girl," Dick said smoothly. "This crate has power—and that's what it takes to get you out of a spot like this."

He pressed his foot down on the accelerator; the motor roared magnificently, the wheels spun around gloriously, but the car didn't move forward an inch.

"We're only sinking in deeper," Emily warned. "You'd better just quit and get out the shovel."

"What shovel?" Dick snapped.

Emily, staring at him, suddenly realized just how much of a dude he was. "There's nothing to do but relax and wait 'til somebody sees our headlights, and comes to help," she said coldly, moving over as far toward her edge of the seat as she could.

Jim To The Rescue

A frigid hour later they saw, across the desert flats, the lights of a car turn off the highway and start towards them. Emily had a shivery feeling as to whom it might be, and sure enough, it was Jim, whizzing up in the old jeep, a frown on his usually happy-go-lucky face.

"Everybody's missed you," he growled. "I just wondered if something like this hadn't happened."

"Oh, Jim, am I glad to see you!" Emily exclaimed, relief overcoming her embarrassment. And then she couldn't resist asking sweetly as she glared at Dick, "Do you have a shovel with you? Dick didn't happen to bring his tonight."

Jim looked at her quickly, and his face relaxed into a big grin. "At your service, Ma'am," he laughed and swept off his ten gallon hat.

Emily hopped out of the convertible and into the jeep. "When you're ready with the rope, I'll give this baby the gun," she said as she patted the old steering wheel lovingly. "We've got to get him out of here before we go back to the party."

Cleveland Had 1st City Xmas Tree

The community Christmas tree idea was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1912. The community raised funds to defray the cost of the tree and celebrations through the sale of preferred stock in "Cleveland, the city of good will (unlimited; incorporated under the laws of the commonwealth of good cheer." This was specified by holly-bordered certificates.

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Greetings

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Trombone FOR Paris

By SHIRLEY SARGENT

Steve rolled from the bed where Marge slept and started toward the living room. The glow of Christmas tree lights betrayed the children. Young Stevie — there was a boy for you — had one hand in his stocking. Julie was whispering, "Go on, see what's in it." Only Paris, the tall, older one, was quite still.

Paris turned just as Steve said "Merry Christmas," sarcastically.

Young Stevie, with the engaging grin, whipped around, "Hi, daddy. Can we open our presents? It's almost daylight."

"Daylight, my foot — it's barely two."

"But Santa Claus has already been here."

No Trombone?

"Bed," Steve commanded. Stevie and Julie hugged him, leaving without argument, but there was defiance plain on Paris's face. Paris — darned fool name for a boy. Marge's idea. "Bed, son," Steve reiterated.

"Under the tree, dad. I don't see anything long and sort of curved."

That Paris, an odd one. An eleven-year-old kid wanting a trombone. It beat Steve. "I don't either," he agreed, meeting his son's eyes. "Look, you're too old to believe in Santa Claus, and too young to realize how expensive a trombone is."

Paris looked down at the mounds of gaily wrapped packages. "Okay," he said in a flat, old-sounding voice, "so I get a couple of new shirts and Stevie gets. . ."

"Stevie gets what?"

Paris ground his bare foot into the rug. "Nothin.' I was just talking."

"Good night, son," Steve watched Paris out of the room before he unplugged the tree lights and sank into a worn armchair.

Paris was right. Stevie had everything he'd asked for piled under the tree. Even an electric train. Cost a lot to keep a kid happy these days, but a trombone. . .



"Look, you're too old to believe in Santa Claus."

Like the one out in the trunk of the car that was going back to the store first thing Wednesday morning. A man made only so much working in a laundry, trying to save enough to buy a half interest, so Marge went ahead and bought a trombone without a by-your-leave.

First Paris had to have lessons, then a rented horn to practice on. Now he wanted one of his own. Paris, a funny kid. Never listening to the football games like Julie and even Stevie did. Always wandering off for hikes and bringing home strange, ragamuffin kids. Happy when he could tinker with old radios, happier yet when he could listen to highbrow music. That stuff. Steve didn't understand him and that was a fact. From a distance he heard the voices of carolers and, upstairs, the wavering notes of the rented trombone. That Paris! What was he trying to do? Wake everybody up?

Even as Steve swung up the stairs, to the attic, he heard the sureness in the music. At first Paris had practiced in the attic by request, but Steve had to hand it to him. He had worked hard; two-three hours a day until he could really play. Looking in on him now, Steve saw that the rented instrument gleamed. Paris had taken care of it — wouldn't let the others touch it.

To look at his intent, happy face, you wouldn't know it was Paris whose everyday face was withdrawn, almost sullen. That playing a horn that took all your breath to blow, would give him happiness was amazing to Steve.

Paris put the trombone down when Steve touched his shoulder.

"You love to play, don't you?" Steve asked.

A smile the like of which Steve had never seen before crossed his son's face. Then, shyly, "Mr. Baxter wants me to play in the school band."

It was hard to keep his pride from showing, but Steve only said, heartily, "That's fine, Paris," before sending him back to bed.

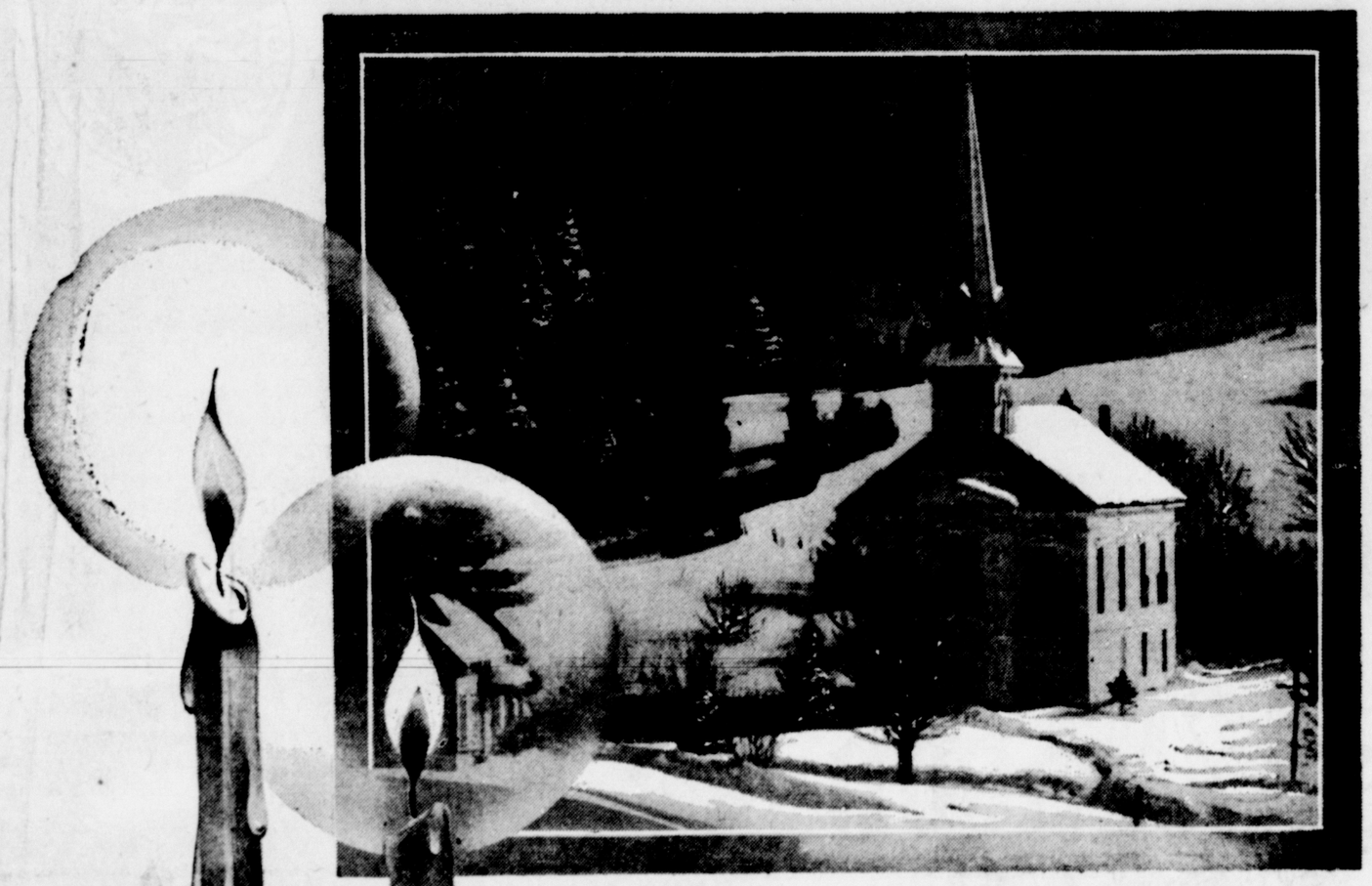
Steve went downstairs, searching under the tree until he found young Stevie's electric train. The box was heavy in his hands as he considered. Toys didn't matter too much to Stevie — he liked active things, in which a father could share.

When Steve came back in from the car, he felt like Santa Claus as he put the shiny leather case that was long and sort of curved under the tree. A trombone for Paris.

1 B.C. And 1 A.D. Are Only Year Apart

According to our calendar, one would naturally assume that between the year 1 B. C. and the year 1 A. D. there should be a year called zero. As a matter of fact, no such year exists, as far as historians are concerned, and the year 1 A. D. follows directly after the year 1 B. C.

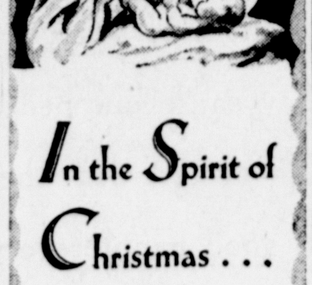
A person born in 3 B. C. would but would be four years old when one is calculating data in that period. When adding B. C. and A. D. years, it is necessary to always subtract one to compensate for the year zero omitted between 1 B. C. and 1 A. D.



Season's Greetings

For us, each new Christmas seems to hold an added significance... a deeper meaning. It's because we realize that whatever we accomplish from year to year is made possible through the cooperation and good will of our patrons and friends. We are grateful for this manifestation of loyalty and confidence and it is with full sincerity that we extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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In the Spirit of Christmas . . .

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MR. and MRS. PAUL EVANS
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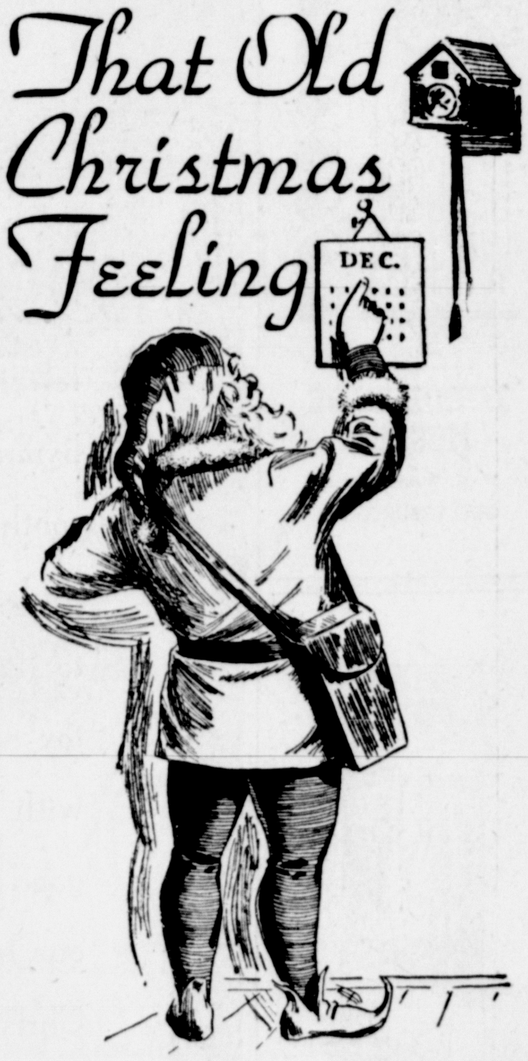
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By SHIRLEY SARGENT

I'm eleven, it's New Year's Eve and mom has got Gertie Wycoff for our sitter. Imagine! Gertie who's in my very own school, so dumb she's only a grade ahead of me even if she is thirteen. Iguess mon's told me a hundred times that we have to have a sitter to take care of Billy, he's only seven, and Marie, who's three and a half, and, most especially, the baby. It's a sure fire cinch I can handle Billy and Marie, but that baby with his diapers and crying all of a sudden — well, Mom's right, he's too much responsibility.

Course all our regular sitters had dates tonight so mom was lucky to get anybody. But Gertie! And her telling me to go to bed at 9:30 on New Year's Eve!

"Good night sonny," she says, "time for you to get your beauty rest."

I'm not staying in bed, that's for sure; I'm going to see the New Year in! Listen to all the noise I've heard about. All these years, Ive been going to sleep and next morning, waking up, like magic, in a new year with a new number.

Fooling Gertie

When Billy wakes up I just whisper in his ear and he pulls that "I want my mommy" scene. Boy, is he ever loud. I burst outta my room like a Boy Scout, when I hear Gertie coming, shouting, "I'll take care of him."

"I'll handle this," she gives me one of her movie magazine stares. "Get back in bed before you catch cold."

So while she's trying to shush Billy, I go downstairs and queer the TV set. Pull out the plug and change the aerial. Time I'm back upstairs, Billy's quiet. I can't figure out how she did it. When she goes downstairs I watch, from the top of the landing, and it takes her 'til almost eleven to get the TV going again.

I'm sorta upset. First Billy fails me and now she's got the TV working. About the time I'm feeling sleepy the baby lets out a wailing cry and Gertie's up the stairs so fast I barely have time to get back in my room. She has a time with him and then can't find the diapers 'cause I hid 'em. And when everything's under control, Marie needs to go to the bathroom. Quick.

Almost New Year

By that time, it's nearly midnight. Almost time for the New Year to come. I sneak downstairs. And there's Gertie curled up in the wing chair, crying. Finally I ask, "What's the matter?"

She just sobs louder. I ask anxiously, "What's wrong?"

"Just everything." She blows her nose hard and looks at me and what do you know? Most of her lipstick's gone and she looks young and scared. "This is the first time I've ever had a real job and I need the money and I've done everything wrong."

"What do you mean wrong?" All of a sudden I'm worring about how she made Billy stop crying.

"I had to put Billy in your folks' bed so he'd be still and I couldn't find a diaper so I put a dishtowel on the baby and the television works funny."

'Course I feel sorta shamed, like a heel. "Look," I say as I adjust the knobs on our set until the picture's



There's Gertie, curled up in the wing chair, crying.

clear. Time we get back downstairs —from changing the baby into his dispers and putting Billy where he belonged — it was 12:03.

That Magic Minute

1952! I'd missed the magic moment when 1951 turned into 1952 . . . Don't get me wrong, I never fell for that "little New Year" business anymore'n I believe in Santa Claus. That stuff's for Billy and Marie, but there had to be a magic minute. All I remembered hearing while we were upstairs were some noises like backfire. The TV screen showed a bunch of dopes throwing paper at each other and blowing Halloween horns. That was all. Nothing exciting.

I found a blanket and pillow and put them on the couch for Gertie. And she was smiling, thanking me for helping her. I'm sorry for her. Catch me staying up all hours to take care of three characters just to earn money — no sir.

So I say, "Happy New Year," meaning it, and head for bed. The heck with magic, I'm sleepy. Only I'll never understand about missing that magic minute any more'n I can figure why Gertie wants to earn money baby sitting when she could mow lawns.

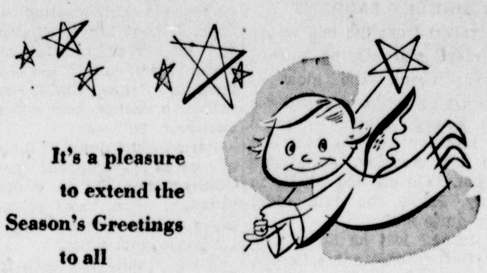
It is believed that the cultivation of rye started comparatively late in comparison with some other cerals, possibly in the bronze age.

Rose Of Christmas Young Girl's Gift

The Christmas rose blooms at an unusual season, from December to March, with white, sometimes pinkly colored blooms. Because of the soft tinge of pink, the flower has been given the name Christmas rose.

Legend tells us that when the Wise Men were journeying toward Bethlehem, they came upon a young girl who was tending her sheep. The girl complained to an angel that she had no gift for the Holy Child, whereupon the entire pathway to Bethlehem was flowered with glistening white Christmas roses.

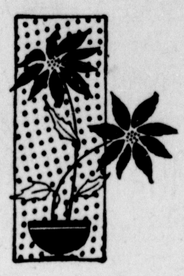
Madelon, the girl, offered th flowers, and when the fingers o Jesus touched them they became suffused with pink.



It's a pleasure to extend the Season's Greetings to all

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By VIRGINIA W. STRUBLE

It was snowing when Carrie Stanton and her grandfather exchanged from the large Overland stagecoach at Virginia City, Montana Territory, to the jerky, which was to take them north.

The driver, standing beside the box-like coach, was a middle-aged man, dressed in buffalo coat and mittens. A hide-wrapped package was pressed under his elbow.

Carrie approached the coach and asked, "Will we get to Helena for New Year's?

"The schedule says so," he replied without looking at her.

"Are the roads very rough?" Her lip trembled as she spoke.

"Rough enough," he snapped.

They sat down, the coach started, and Carrie buried her face in her grandfather's shoulder.

"Don't take it so hard, Miss Stanton," said the young man on the opposite seat facing her. "That driver's always called 'Surly Sam.' "

The jerky seemed to find all the bumps as it banged along behind the running teams. The curtains were drawn but the passengers could feel the storm increase in fury. The coach lurched and swayed.

In Grip Of Storm

About noon they changed to a bobsled. Its bottom was full of straw and there was a pile of buffalo robes for cover.

Carrie found the familiar sled preferable to the rocking chair motion of the coach but the wind stung her face. The passengers were soon covered with snow as hard and dry as salt.

"Shall we try singing?" one of the young men suggested with a grin. "It might warm us up." He started "Home Sweet Home" and Carrie joined in with a will.

"Shut up!" yelped the driver. "Ye think this's a singing school?"

The young people grimaced and one of the men called, "Hey Sam. Where we goin' ter spend the night?"

"At Cedar Breaks."

"It's New Year's eve, Sam. Why strand us in the country?"

"I said Cedar Breaks." He turned and glared at them.

The cold penetrated their wraps and Mr. Stanton called, "Driver. You have an extra hide around your treasure chest. Let us use it. The treasure won't suffer."



"Are the roads very rough?" Her lip trembled as she spoke.

"It's my hide and I'm keeping it."

Storm And Sam Get Worse

The passengers crouched low in the box and were silent. Darkness settled down as the storm grew worse.

"Where is Cedar Breaks?" asked Grandfather Stanton.

"It's a way station 'tother side o' Whitehall, over a high range of mountains, God forsaken place."

"And in this weather," mused Mr. Stanton and said no more.

While they hugged the stove in the Whitehall station, the agent said, "Better hole up here 'til morning, Sam. Storm's gettin' worse. Ya might get lost."

Sam's face became more sullen than ever. "We're not stopping this side o' Cedar Breaks."

They crowed back into the sled and Sam drove up into the clouds. It was a steady climb and the horses showed the strain. They floundered through drifts. Twice the men had to get out and push. Once a runner caught in a rock and threw them all into a snow bank.

"Cedar Breaks ahead," one of the men volunteered.

The Present Delivered

Carrie raised her head to look at the dim light. The door burst open and a small girl ran out, jumping up and down in excitement. A man caught the lines Sam threw to him, and a woman stood framed in the candle-lighted doorway.

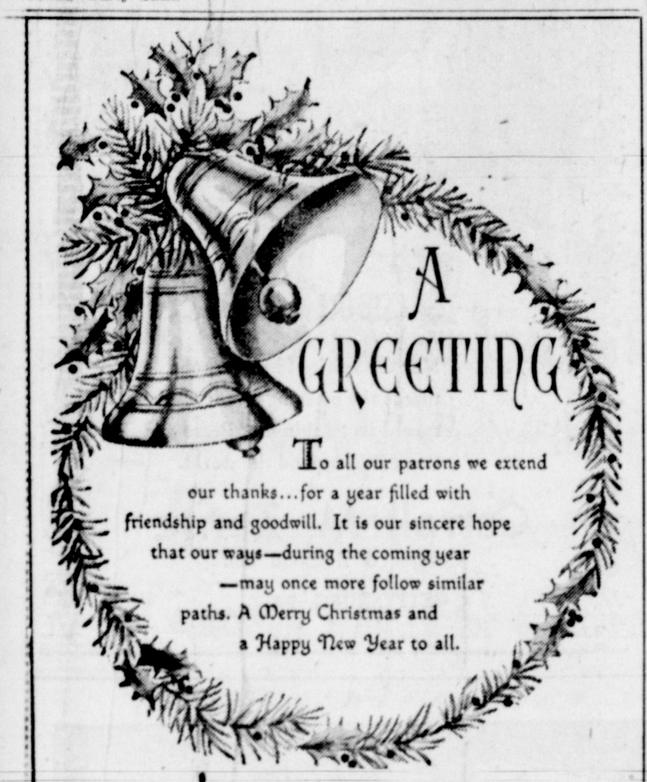
Sam leaped from his seat, the skin wrapped package in his hands.

"You've brought it! You've bought it!" screamed the child. Sam leaned over and offered the package to her. She threw both arms around his neck and hugged him before she took it and ran into the house.

The passengers forgot their cold and crowded about. Carrie knelt before the child, whose eager fingers uncovered a large doll in a fancy dress. She held it out toward Carrie.

"Sam promised it to me for New Year's when I didn't get nothin' for Christmas," she said shyly. "Sam is my best friend!" Then clasping her doll tightly, she hid her face in her mother's skirts.

The passengers busied themselves with their overshoes.



A GREETING

To all our patrons we extend our thanks...for a year filled with friendship and goodwill. It is our sincere hope that our ways—during the coming year —may once more follow similar paths. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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Christmas Greetings

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TO EACH OF OUR GOOD FRIENDS

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SEASON'S Greetings

Christmas has a merry way with all... it gives joy and laughter to the children, warm and cheerful feelings to the grown-ups, and best of all the grand memory of its joy continues throughout the year. To all our friends we wish a Holiday Season filled with happiness, good health, and contentment.

GETTYSBURG AERIE NO. 1562

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Season's Greetings

In extending our sincerest greetings to our friends at this time we find an ever deeper meaning in the spirit of Christmas. For it is the furthering of friendship and brotherhood with others that brings to us the true joy of living...

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

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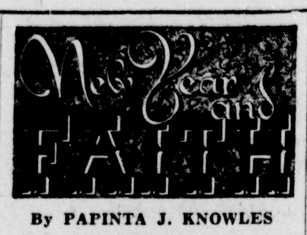
May every minute of the Christmas day be bright and merry and glad is our Yuletide wish for you.

FABER'S
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With a genuine appreciation of our pleasant relations, we extend to our many friends the greetings of the season with joy for Christmas and good luck for the New Year.

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By PAPINTA J. KNOWLES

The plan had been forming in his mind since he lost his wheat crop in the fall and the creek overflowed the bottom, runining most of his corn. Every year, since he had bought the farm four years ago, something had gone wrong. Last year he had lost several head of cattle, the year before he had had trouble with his sheep.

With the buildings and fences needing repair, he saw no sense in starting this New Year in the same old unlucky rut. Surely Sally would agree to selling the farm, especially now that little Joe had come. He'd talk to her about it on the way home from the hospital.

He backed his car out of the garage, drove down past the barn and out to the lane. All the way over to Carson he planned. He wondered what Sally would say about selling the farm. Her faith in the old farm was unshakable. "Next year will be better," she'd always say. They both had wanted the farm when they bought it.

His Future Helper

Sally was dressed and waiting for him when he reached the hospital. He took her hands in his, noting their newly acquired softness.

"Been waiting long?" he asked.

"Since yesterday, really," she smiled. Her face was radiant, and like her hands, it had acquired a different look. A look that only motherhood could give it.

A nurse came into the room carrying Joe. "And here's your New Year's gift," she said, smiling. "One of our best future farmers."

Jim tried to smile. He touched the baby's hand and it curled about his big rough finger.

"He's taking to you already," the nurse beamed.

And Sally laughed softly, tears misting her eyes. "He knows him—I do believe he knows him!"

Jim slipped his finger from the tight little fist. Now is the right time, he thought, to make the change. It wouldn't be fair to Joe to let him grow up on the farm.

"You'll have him riding with you on the tractor before you know it," the nurse laughed, placing the baby in Jim's arms.

"I'm not so sure about that," he said.

Out in the sunshine, Sally said, looking up at him anxiously, "Jim, something's wrong. I can tell."

Jim smiled, trying to reassure her, but he saw that he hadn't. After he drove past the hospital gates he told her.

Not Failure Yet

"I know you love the farm, Sally. We both had our freams when we bought it — pooling our savings and taking the estate money dad left us to make it free of debt. But every year something has happened, and I've gleaned only a bare living. We have to admit failure sometime."

Sally was slow in answering. "Failure, Jim?" she said finally. "You haven't failed. You accept defeat when you stop trying. Only then are you a failure. We've had slow going, I know. But that's part of a farmer's life. He's got to learn to take disappointments and hang on to hope as if it meant his very life. Others have had hard



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times in our neighborhood, they still have them. And even Reiney, the wealthiest farmer in our county, said he had had ten years of hard luck before the tide turned. He wasn't a quitter, Jim."

Faith And Hope

Quitter.

Jim stared at the road ahead in silence. He sensed a feeling of shame from the impact of Sally's words. Was that the way he looked to her: a quitter? His lips tightened in a firm line.

Sally laid her hand on his arm. "Jim, I'm sorry," she said, "but all the time I was in the hospital I planned for Joe — on the farm. You see, dear, each New Year is a challenge to us in the job we're trying to do. We shouldn't look back; we should look forward and have faith in the New Year, faith that it won't be like the old — it will offer us something better."

Jim pressed Sally's hand, and suddenly he was aware of an anxious feeling to top the next ridge so that the old farm would be in sight. So long as we live by faith and hope, he thought, no hardship could be so great but that it could be endured and surmounted in the end, if we work and never give up. He knew it now. That was the spirit of the New Year.

New Guinea has been so little explored by white men, that even today explorers flying over the island find stone age villages whose inhabitants never have seen a European, says the National Geographic Society.



This may be the post office's biggest Christmas. The postmaster general estimates that more Christmas mail — packages and cards — will be handled in 1952 than in any previous year. With this in mind, the post office department has hired extra employes and arranged for use of extra trucks for the holiday period.

The post office is Santa Claus' good right arm. It delivers gifts and greetings throughout the world, and it will do its best to get them there by December 25—if they are mailed on time.

Much Christmas mail going overseas is handled in cooperation with the postal systems of other nations. But in the United States and its possessions, in U. S.-trusteed islands in the Pacific and among U. S. servicemen in all parts of the world, delivery of holiday greetings is strictly a United States affair.

The army takes over, through its army post office, for troops serving outside the United States, be they in Germany, Korea, or somewhere on the way. The navy handles mail for its men on ships at sea and at naval stations anywhere on the globe.

The Season's Best Wishes

As the lights of the Holiday Season beam bright and glorious, we wish all of our friends and patrons a full measure of joy and happiness for Christmas and the New Year.

SNYDER'S BODY SHOP
Fairfield Road
GETTYSBURG

Christmas Cards Created In 1842

Over 250 years ago English school children wrote Christmas expressions of good will called "Christmas pieces." From this school chore came the gracious custom of sending Christmas cards.

The first known Christmas card was created in 1742 in London by a young etcher named William Egley. Original of this first card is now on display in the British museum.

In the United States, Louis Prang published the first Christmas cards During the 1870's and 80's Pang produced thousands of beautiful cards and has become known as the grandfather of the business.

Best known special Christmas business done by any post office is that of Santa Claus, Indiana.



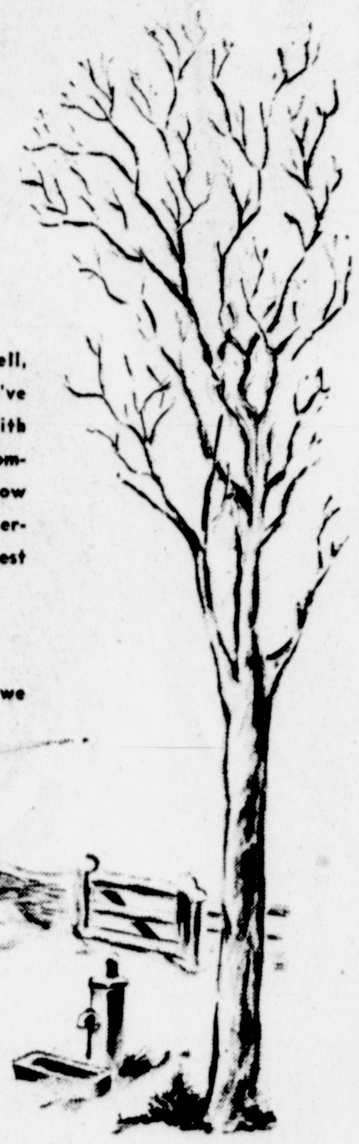
Season's Greetings

May the spirit of brotherhood that is the meaning of our Christmas spread its teachings of Peace and Good Will around the world.

Carroll M. Zentz
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It's Going to be a Swell Christmas





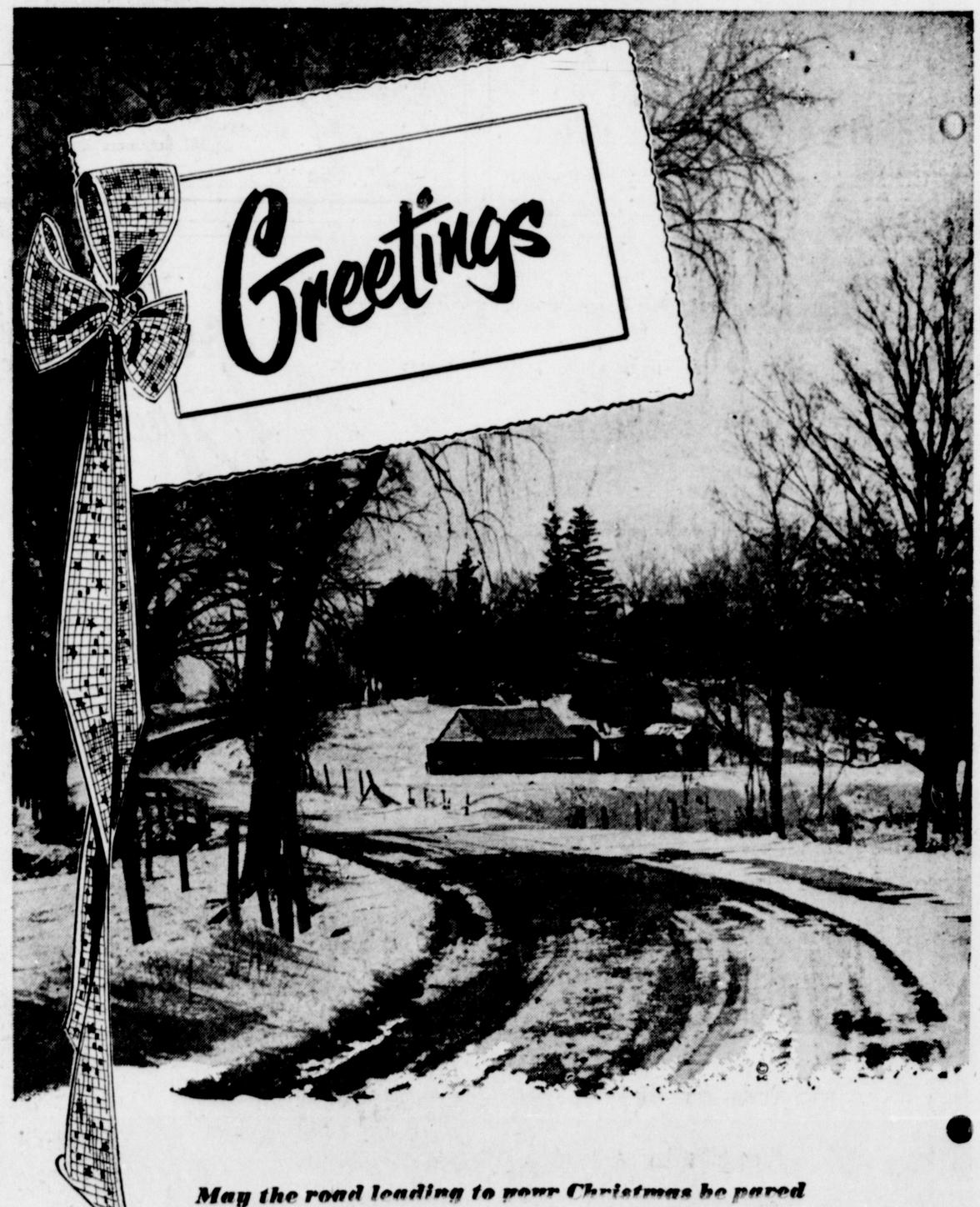
How do we know? Well, perhaps it's because we've been doing business with the fine people of this community long enough to know they're the finest and certainly deserving of the best Christmas ever.

For your enjoyable friendships in the past we are grateful. Merry Christmas!



We Will Be Closed All Day Christmas
So That All Our Employes Can Spend The Day With Their Families

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May the road leading to your Christmas be paved with the stepping-stones of our sincere friendship.

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Merry Christmas

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We cherish the Happiness our old and new Friends have given us over the Years, and at this Joyous and Heartwarming Season give you our sincerest wishes for Christmas Joy

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By LORNA BOONE

Nevvy wished his worn shoes wouldn't make so much noise on the cobblestoned alley. In the darkness, he saw the discarded Christmas tree standing tall beside a trash barrel and even the rank odors of the alley couldn't drown out the faint fragrance of pine needles.

Nevvy shivered, taking his hands from the dubious protection of his pockets to pull his one mitten on. The tree, his tree! (Just as he hefted it, he heard a shout.) Someone was coming down the path that led from the big house to the alley.

For an eleven-year-old Nevvy was fast, but the shout came again and then hard, pounding steps. Then, abruptly, he stopped as a large hand grasped his shoulder.

The grip on Nevvy's thin shoulder tightened as a loud voice demanded, "Where're you going with our tree?"

Nevvy twisted around to face a husky boy in a letterman's sweater. "You threw it out."

One For Trash Man

"Does that mean you can take it? You alley kids start in young."

"It wasn't stealing," angrily, Nevvy heard his voice shake. "tomorrow the trash man would have got it."

The light from a neon sign spotlighted them. "You are young," the boy said, letting him go.

"Thirteen," Nevvy spoke quickly.

"Don't lie," the older boy countered sharply. "Look, this is my tree. . ."

"All right, so I'm eleven and I know it's your tree."

"But today's the third of January," the boy said, in a friendlier voice. "What do you want an old dead tree for anyway?"

Nevvy wanted to say "You couldn't understand," but then he looked at the tree, still green and fragrant even if the needles were shattering, and spoke carefully.

"We haven't had Christmas at our house yet and. . . and we need a tree."

"That's tough," the boy said, "how come?"

"Reasons."

"Tell me why or I won't give you this tree."

A Late Christmas

Nevvy let the tree go, watched it rock back and forth on its standard, and, thinking of his mother, hardened his voice. "Reason we didn't have a tree is we couldn't afford it. No job for my dad, no dough. And the reason we didn't have any Christmas sooner was because of my mother. She was in the hospital having a baby. Then they let my mother come home, right before New Year's, 'cause there wasn't anybody to take care of the little kids'cept me when my dad was job hunting."

"Tell me the rest," the boy said, "please."

"Not much to tell. Only the hospital kept the baby 'cause it's premature and they aren't sure it's going to live. But the little kids—there's five of them — we promised them Christmas and we're gonna have it. I was going to take this tree home for a starter. Me and my dad have been making presents, but, my gosh, you gotta have a tree! Even they know that."



Just as he hefted it, he heard a shout. Someone was coming down the path.

The boy was quiet a long time Then, "Your brothers and sisters still believe in Santa Claus?"

"Oh, sure. I gave them a story about Santa Claus waiting until my mother got home to come to our house. They're beginning to wonder though.

Christmas After All

"Listen," the boy's voice was eager, "let me be Santa, will you? We have a suit I could wear with some pillows. How about it?"

Nevvy felt the boy's enthusiasm. "Sure," he answered, off-handedly, "If you want to." Inside he was thinking how thrilled the kids would be.

"That'll be keen," the boy said. "Are you sure you don't mind?"

Nevvy knew then that the boy really wanted to do it. "Heck, no," he said sincerely, "they'll love it. Look, I'll give you the address and you come down in an hour — I'll leave the toys outdoors for your pack. Oh, and I'll have the window the front one — open for you. It'll take me awhile to get the tree up."

"Swell," the boy sounded excited.

"Merry Christmas," Nevvy called after him and picked their Christmas tree up, not caring how much noise his shoes made as he ran down the alley.

It is believed that the area now occupied by the Sahara Desert was a fertile region when man first appeared there.

Brussels sprouts have been known for only about 400 years, says the National Geographic Society.



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ALL BETHLEHEM TURNS OUT FOR NATIVITY RITE

Christmas is observed in Bethlehem on December 25 by the Roman Catholics and Protestants, on January 6, by the Greek Orthodox and affiliated churches, and on January 18 by the Armenians.

All Bethlehem, however, turns out on December 24 for the arrival of the Patriarch of Jerusalem — Cardinal of the Holy Land — who each year brings an ancient effigy of the Infant Jesus to Bethlehem which he lays in the manger within the cave where Christ was born.

Dramatically the procession approaches, heralded by a single horseman, his banner streaming aloft. A corps of native police mounted upon fiery Arabian horses follow and then another single horseman upon a prancing black steed carrying the cross on high; the Patriarch in his cardinal and ermine, mitred bishops, clergy in embroidered vestments and white robed acolytes — swinging golden censers — precede the jeweled pavilion of the Holy Child. Magnificent corteges of government officials, foreign embassies, bands, religious organizations follow, and finally, American made automobiles mingle with native two-wheeled carriages.

Stable In Grotto

The procession enters the Church of the Nativity. The public is not permitted to witness the actual placing of the effigy, as that part of the Church — built above the Cave of the Nativity — is under the jurisdiction of the Greek Orthodox Church.

The grotto-like Cave of the Nativity in no way conforms to the modern conception of a "stable;" in biblical times, however, shelters for man and beast were hewn into rocky ledges — thus, the Stable of Bethlehem.

On Christmas Eve, members of all denominations assemble to sing carols above the birthplace of the Holy Child before midnight mass is solemnized in the Church of the Nativity.

Open House Custom Introduced By Dutch

At Christmastide, the great hall of the Saxon lord was thrown open to peasant and noble alike —all mingling democratically and exchanging gifts and hearty cheer during a great feast and festivities composed of dance and song. With a tremendous burst of shouting, the Yule Log was dragged into the hall and placed upon the open fire pit. These democratic Christmas festivities lasted until the last dying embers of the log.

In our south, prior to the Civil War, the slaves, following this Saxon custom, would soak a log in the cypress swamps to extend the length of their Christmas freedom.

This unrestrained friendship between the Saxon lord and his serf at Christmas time has come down to us in the form of the hospitable "Open House."

Why You Hang Holly at Yuletide

Credit the Jagan Druids for inspiring one of the nice Christmas customs — decorating with holly. The traditional holly for the holidays is widely believed to have had its origin in the Druid practice of brining holly sprigs indoors. The Druids woodland spirits lived in the holly.

Indoors, holly gave the spirits a nice warm place in winter. Besides, the lush green holly and the contrast of its red berries provided beauty that could be revered by men when the sacred oaks were shorn of their foliage.

The early Christian church frowned on such pagan customs and tried to stamp them out. In due time, however, it was felt that some of the customs sould be adapted to the new Christmas conception.

Some beautiful legends associate the holly with Christ. In fact, it is often called the Christ thorn. One legend depicts the leaf spines as the crown of thorns; the red berries as the sins of the world and the blood of Christ. Another credits holly with first springing up from the footsteps of Christ. The plant is said to remain green all winter as a reward for once hiding Christ from his pursuers.

The impact of the holly on the Christmas celebration is evidenced in the traditional holiday colors, green and red. The Druids weren't the only people of old who thought the holly was something special. Pliny, the great Roman historian, insisted holly blossoms casued water to freeze. Also, that holly thrown at any wild beast would make it lie down tamely next to the branch.

These legends, forgotten by many people, are said to be the reason we decorate with holly.

Resolutions Silly, Psychiatrists Say

According to a number of psychiatrists, New Year's resolutions are just a bit silly. They believe that a person who makes resolutions is something of an exhibitionist in addition to being quite childish.

One psychiatrist said he didn't think resolutions the best method of curbing little differences and correcting mistakes. The best method is giving some thought to what causes our troubles and trying to correct them rationally.

Children especially should not be encouraged to make a resolution. They reason a child should be encouraged to do the best job he can at all times and not save his difficulties for one particular time and tear them up by one superhuman effort that is almost sure to fall.

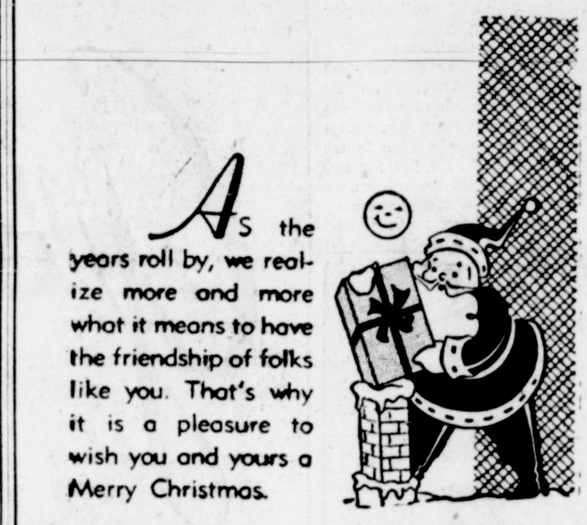


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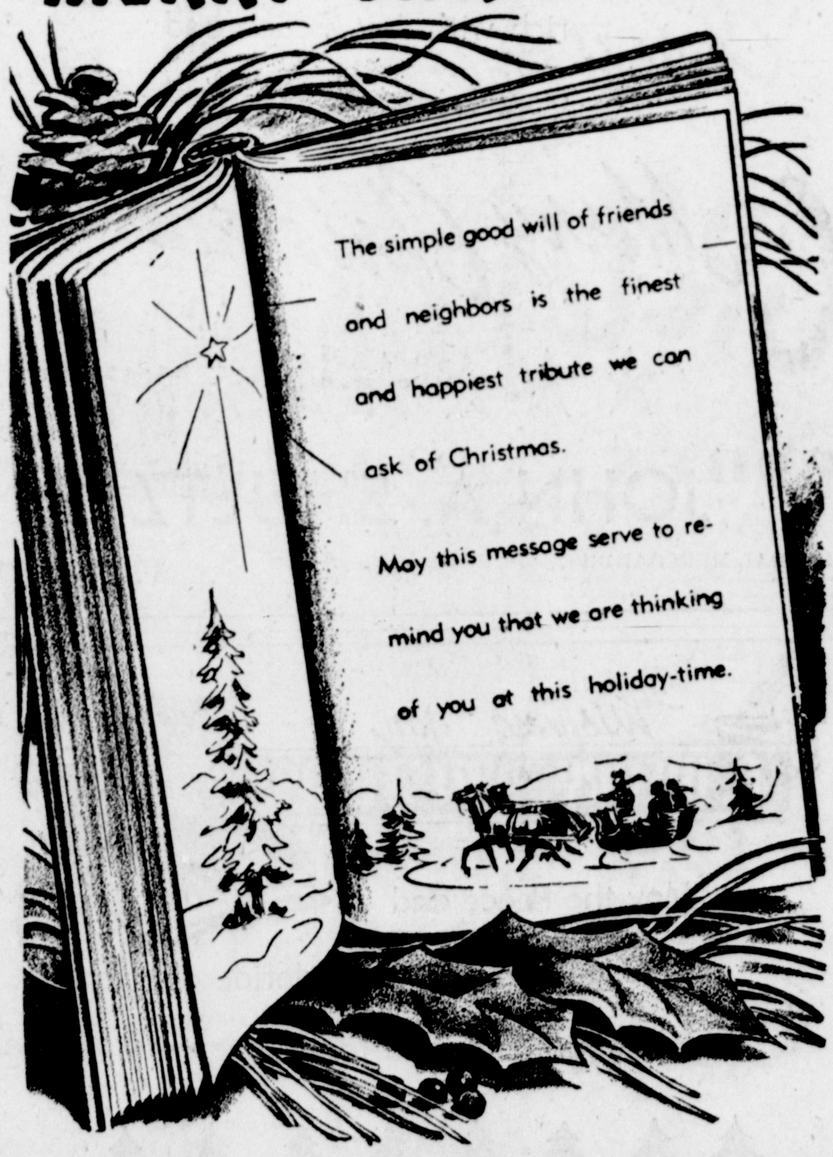


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ROBERT BURNS NOT AUTHOR OF QUAINT CAROL

"Aud Lang Syne" has become such an integral part of our modern New Year's eve that no celebration, however gay, would be complete without it.

The music sheets for those nostalgic strains simply say "Robert Burns – Scotch Air," and Robert Burns generally is supposed to have written it after he had settled down on a farm and taken himself a wife, following the sweeping success in 1778 of the second edition of his "Poems." Well and good, but Auld Lang Syne was not exclusively a Burns product, nor did he claim it to be.

Disclaimed Credit

In a letter to George Thomson, a publisher, Burns explained:

"It is an old song of olden times, which has never been in print. I took it down from an old man's singing."

Modern scholarship has discovered that Burns was wrong when he told Thomson "Auld Lang Syne" never had been in print. Its refrain, at least, was printed obscurely long before Burns heard his "old man singing."

Further, the original song often has been credited to Sir Robert Aytoun (1570-1638). Aytoun was one of the earliest Scots to use the lowland dialect as a literary medium. Multitudes of Americans descended from non-British stock are perpetually mystified by this dialect, nor does it seem to make much sense in the standard English translation.

Gave It Immortality

Regardless of its original author and origin, it was Burns who gave "Auld Lang Syne" its immortality. And though the bells now welcome the New Year with joyous peals, symbolizing mankind's hope for a bright future, the nostalgiast of "Auld Lang Syne" summarizes an adherent reluctance to leave the security and friendship of the past and embard upon a future which, however promising, may not be more pleasant. Thus, it remains a part of the English speaking heritage to

"Drink a cup of kindness yet
For Auld Lang Syne."



Through the hoop. Flippy, a trained porpoise at Marine Studios, Fla, gets into the holiday spirit by leaping through a Christmas wreath suspended over the water of his tank.

GOD BLESS CHRISTMAS

"There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited, I dare say," returned the nephew. "Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought Christmas time, then it has come around, as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; and, therefore, uncle, though it had never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I say, God bless it!" — Charles Dickens, "A Christmas Carol."

Scandinavian Elf Was Santa's Helper

Where did Santa's Little Helper come from?

In the Viking age in Scandinavia, long before Leif Eriksen discovered America, the little elf with long white whiskers — Jul Tomten — lived in the stable. He saw that the earth was abundant with good food and that the animals and birds were taken care of.

After the pagan Vikings became Christianized, little Jul Tomten became the giver of presents—like our Santa Claus today. The children left a bowl of porridge on the kitchen table for which Jul Tomten would exchange gifts for the good boys and girls. Travelers brought back the legend of Tomten and he has come down to us as the busy, jolly, good little elf who works in Santa's workshop.

CHRISTMAS GAME

Snapdragon was a favorite Christmas game in England more than 200 years ago, it is still played in modified form in England and America.

The original game called for a quantity of raisins to be deposited in a large bowl or dish. Brandy or some other spirit was poured over the fruit and ignited. The bystanders then endeavored to grasp a raisin, by plunging their hands through the flames. A carol, called "The Song of Snapdragon," accompanied the game.

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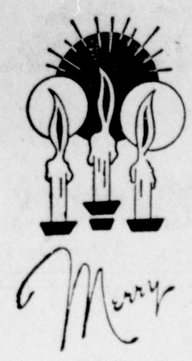
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YOUNG ROYALTY NO DIFFERENT; AWAITING SANTA

WOLFERTON, Norfolk, England (AP) — There will be more than a little noise at a Royal mansion called Sandringham house this Christmas. For prince Charles, husky four-year-old, and Princess Anne, who is two, are at noisy ages.

The British royal family will as usual be at nearby Sandringham for Christmas. Queen Elizabeth, the Duke of Edinburgh, their children, the queen mother Elizabeth and Princess Margaret will be there, and relatiyes and a few friends will be invited.

From a study overlooking a broad terrace the queen will make her Christmas broadcast to the whole of her empire in the afternoon. It is the room normally used for these Christmas talks by the head of the British nation and commonwealth. The first was made by King George V in 1932 and since then they have been skipped only two years, 1936 and 1938.

Always, except once, they have been "live" broadcasts. The talk last year by the ailing George VI, weak after a lung operation, was a recording, an effort of considerable difficulty in which listeners around the world could detect the strains under which he labored to keep his annual appointment with "my people." The broadcast by his daughter this year will be "live."

The fact that the king died since last Christmas, and that he was at an unusually big Christmas party last year, will give older members of the family some melancholy reflections. So more than usual, it will be a festival for the children, and they will be expected to make it a merry day.

Prince Charles by now knows all that a child needs to know about Christmas, and Princess Anne is catching up fast. The queen and the children have arranged to come to Sandringham some days before Christmas, and Prince Charles hoped it would be soon enough so he could be of some help to Jim Brown.

It's Jim Brown's business, as head forester on the 7,000 acre Sandringham estate, to pick out, and chop down, and set up just the correct spruce tree. He sets it up in the big ball room of Sandringham House, and it must be just the right height — 12 feet — to allow for the star on top Then around the tree he sets trestle tables, and on these are spread the presents for everyone. Jim Brown also drags in a very large log for the fireplace and, as is proper in an English home, the yule log and the glittering tree become twin hearts of the Christmas festival.

150 Rooms; 75 Servants

Sandringham house is a three-storied stone mansion of 150 rooms, many gables, turrets and hundreds of windows. It is out in the country. The adjacent village of Sandringham has a population of only about 100. The estate lies in a flat countryside just a few miles from the North sea, and it is a region which can become very cold and desolate. Desolate particularly are some of the moors where bracken and thickets, rather than trees and farm lands, are features of a somewhat cheerless landscape. With a little luck of weather there might be some snow for the toy sleds which are sure to be among the presents for royal youngsters. There is certainly room to maneuver them on the spacious lawns.

The moors which on a day of sleet or fog look so dreary are precisely the feature of the region which first attracted notice of British kings. The moors made excellent breeding grounds for grouse, partridges and pheasants. Both George V and George VI were expert shots, and the last king introduced the Duke of Edinburgh to the delights of hunting. The duke has become an enthusiast, and some hunting is sure to be on the program of his Christmas season. The birds being hunted at present are partridges, and the estate staff hopes it has managed to chase out most of the poachers.

Bring Home The Bacon!

So what the royal family eats in the Christmas season may depend in part on the Duke's skill with a shot gun. There will be game, more or less, and turkey is a traditional bird.

The family travels to Sandringham some days before Christmas, preceded by about 50 servants of Buckingham palace to augment the royal mansion's permanent staff of a couple of dozen. The real observance of Christmas starts o nthe eve. In recent years a Salvation army choir from the village of Dersingham has come over to serenade the family with a program of carols. The singers are invited in for refreshments.

Parcel opening time is after breakfast on Christmas Day, and this year, growing children being about, it is expected to be the noisiest moment of the day. Royal Christmas presents usually are simple objects, useful or of sentimental interest. Such gifts as automobiles, yachts and polo ponies are given on other occasions, although the queen may have a suspicion that she will be getting some jewelry.

In the forenoon the family goes to the service in the church of St. Mary Magdalene, on the estate grounds, at which villagers and farmers may worship. It was in this little church that the body of King George VI first lay in state, last February.

At Sandringham, the chief Christmas meal comes at mid day. At 3 p.m., the queen makes her talk on the world-girding radio network. he is not afraid of a microphone. Her voice is high and clear and she is a lady of unusual poise.

After that — relaxation. Sandringham becomes a lonely, inaccessible spot in Norfolk The royal family becomes a private family. Head scarves, mackintoshes and flat heeled shoes for the women, while hunting clothes or most anything that's comfortable become the favorite attire of the men.

It is the custom to remain in this semi-retirement well into January.

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Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas!

The spirit conveyed by these words is the same in all countries, but the words themselves sometimes fall harshly on American ears.

"Merry Christmas" in French has a soft and musical sound. It is "Joyeux Noel."

In Spain the greeting is "Feliz Pascuas", and in Italy, "Boun Natale." For Sweden it is "God Jul" and Norway, "Gladig Jul".

In Germany and Holland the greeting is a tongue-twister that will stump the average America. The Germans say "Froechliche Weihnachten" and the Dutch, "Plezierig Kerstfeest."

But whatever the language, the spirit behind this greeting is the same wherever there are men of goodwill.



Legends concerning New Year's are as numerous as there are countries in the world. Many of them are similar in many details. One of the most beautiful is an ancient Swiss legend.

It is believed, according to this legend, that the Holy Family is abroad during the hour of midnight mass on Christmas Eve.

Therefore, a bowl of fresh milk is placed upon the dining table and each member of the household carefully lays his spoon upon the table cloth.

Then, upon returning from church, the person who finds his spoon has been moved may anticipate special blessings during the coming year: for surely Mary and Joseph have rested within the abode during their flight into Egypt and the Virgin used that spoon to feed the infant Jesus.

Many Old Superstitions Still Abound In "Modern World"

Many superstitions surrounding New Year's Day still abound in the modern world, the old practices finding many adherents.

In many parts of New England it is considered unlucky for anyone to go out of the house on New Year's Day until someone has entered.

To bring good luck and prosperity through the new year, Texans and residents of other southwestern states make a point of including black-eyed peas on the New Year's day menu.

Salt Precious Item

People in many parts of the world believe that a full salt shaker on New Year's Day is the symbol of a year of plenty and good fortune. The superstition, it is believed, can be traced to the days when salt was a precious item in the household.

In England and Scotland it is customary for young people to rush to the nearest spring or well at midnight. Whoever first tastes the water that is drawn will have good luck through the new year.

Another superstition prevailing in England, particularly in the Lancashire area, is that it is an ill omen for a person to share a lighted match with another on New Year's morning.

Old Ancient Beliefs

Frequently in Scotland funeral services for the old year are held during the waning hours of New Year's Eve.

Residents of the Isle of Man believe a dark complexioned person entering the house on New Year's morning will bring good luck while a blonde visitor is the bearer of misfortune.

CHRISTMAS EVE MEMORY CHECK

Did You Remember . . .

. . . to take home a few extra toys? If you are expecting two or three neighborhood small fry to drop in, you can be sure six will show up. And three toys and six children do not enhance "Peace on Earth."

Did You Remember . . .

. . . to check the Christmas tree lights? Not day before yesterday. Not last week. We mean right now. A few stores are still open and you can supply new ones. Better pick up a few more ornaments too.

Did You Remember . . .

. . . that you told all those people to drop in for refreshment tonight? Better check on the cake, cookies, soft drinks and other goodies.

Did You Remember . . .

. . . those last minute Christmas cards? If not, you can send telegrams to friends too far away for cards to reach them by December 25. You can even have a messenger call at your house while the guests you invited in for snacks are there, and probably everybody will remember someone far away who should have a Christmas greeting.

Did You Remember . . .

. . . to hang some kind of Christmas decoration outside the house, so passing strangers may enjoy some of the Christmas glow that is in your home and reflect it around your town? Remember, everyone has a part in this Christmas cheer, not just your small circle, and the more cheer you scatter, the more you will gather.

Many bicycle racers are also good skaters.

ROSE ENHANCES FESTIVAL MOOD

Americans usually decorate their homes at Christmas time with holly, evergreens, or hothouse plants. Recently, however, they have found a new friend in the Christmas-rose. Nurserymen say this plant's popularity has skyrocketed in the last few years.

The Christmas-rose is not really a rose at all but belongs to the crowfoot family. It is a small plant no more than a foot high when mature. Nevertheless, it can put forth seven or eight small white roselike blooms tinged with pink.

Called by botanists Helleborus niger or black hellebore, it gets this name from its black stalks. The Christmas-rose is no freak, no super-precocious flower or early-blooming plant. This legitimate child of winter flowers naturally in December or January. It withstands snow and low temperatures, demanding only some sort of shelter from the weight of snow.

Helleborus nighter does not propgate well in the United States. Hence, most of the tiny plants are imported from Belgium and the Netherlands. They develop best only in the western part of those countries where they thrive in soil peculiar to the region.

The ancient Romans knew about the Christmas-rose and eagerly sought it for medicinal use. They believed that eating the roots would "clear the brain, cure stupidity and relieve insanity."

"Let him sail to Anticyra" said the poet, Horace, of an ill friend. Anticyra was a Greek town where the black Hellebore flourished.

The Helleborus family is indigenous to southern Europe and the Mediterranean regions. The Christmas-rose variety came originally from Austria.

The delicate beauty of the Christmas-rose is hallowed by legend.

It has been estimated that there are 4½ million cubic miles of salt in the ocean.

Some peoples of the world do not use salt with their food.



Geography comes down the chimney on Christmas Eve.

In the flod of toys soon to spill out into the nations's living rooms will be the touch of many different lands. Beside a teddy bear, replica of Australia's marsupial furred koalas, perhaps will stand a carved wooden farm scene from German Bavaria, a South American gaucho doll, or a miniature pagoda made in Japan.

Similarly, the United States, now the world's leading toy maker, sends abroad its wild west costumes, its shiny playtime trucks and cars and earth-moving equipment, its small-scale railroads and sky scrapers to delight children all over the globe.

Toy industries in Germany and Japan are on the upswing again. Germany was among the first nations in the world to make tin horses on wheels, engines that ran, animals that walked, birds that sang. Now U. S. buyers go back to cities such as Nurnberg for the output of ingenious middle-aged inventors.

New toys that startle the world often come from Europe. One such is a German duck which, when set on an incline, proudly walks down the slope. Another is a recent gadget from Denmark called a "tippe top," a wobbly sphere about the size of a small apple that suddenly flips upside down and continues spinning on its stem.

Winston Churchill was intrigued by the top when he first saw it. In Stockholm, the King of Sweden, a cabinet minister and an atom physicist, a Nobel Prize winner, got down on their hands and knees at a banquet to study the mysterious flip-flop action.

As a mirror of mankind's culture, toys reflect the progress of civilization. Yet amazing similarity can sometimes be seen between the toys of long-forgotten eras and the playthings of today.



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Happy Holiday

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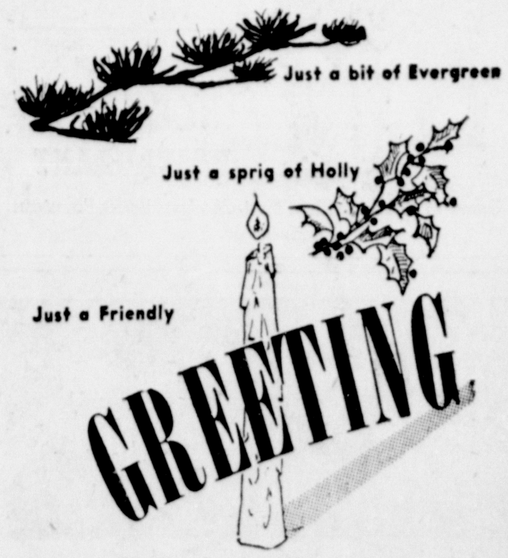
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KEEPING CHRISTMAS

by

Henry Van Dyke

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellowmen are just as real as you are, and try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book on complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.



Santa's roll call. In a big city Santa needs a platoon of helpers to make the rounds. Here he checks up in New York to see if all his aides are on hand for the big Christmas Eve delivery.

MUMMER PARADE IS BIG EVENT

The big event for Philadelphia on New Year's is the annual Mummers' parade.

The custom comes down from the early English and Swede settlers in the vicinity of Philadelphia. The English cherished the traditional Mummer play "St. George and the Dragon," while the Swedes were fond of masquerading informally on New Year's Eve. The two customs merged even before the Revolution.

After the Revolution, George Washington replaced St. George as the central figure of the festivities. It wasn't until 1901, however, that the municipal government officially recognized the parade.

After that, the all male parade became a community project, sponsored by civic and fraternal organizations. Today it is the greatest annual event in Philadelphia's crowded schedule of activities. Thousands watch the parade, which begins in early evening and often continues into the wee hours of the New Year.

NAMED FOR JANUS

The Gregorian month of January is the namesake of Janus, the two - faced Roman god credited with ability to look backward and forward at the same time.

This idea is not exclusively characteristic of any creed or age. Chinese children traditionally dispatch the Kitchen God to heaven, while simmering pots promise New Year banquets.

JAPANESE FLY KITES

Japanese boys can tell each other to "go, fly a kite" on New-Year's morning without being guilty of the slightest impropriety because New Year's time is kite flying time in Japan.

Feudal Japan encouraged kite flying and, in those days, kite flights were considered part of the sport. Sharp pieces of metal were attached along the kite's tail.

That Immortal Christmas Essay...

Yes, Virginia

"Yes, indeed!

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age—they do not believe except what they see—they think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

"In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

"He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies!

"You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus—the most real things in the world are those neither children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there—nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, or even the united strength of all the strongest men, that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond.

"Is it all real?—ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. No Santa Claus!

"Thank God!—he lives, and he lives forever—a thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."

Faith

Devotion

Truth

Love

Generosity

It was only September, and 1897's Christmas was three months in the future. But Virginia O'Hanlon's concern was with an important problem that, to her, knew no season. That was why she wrote her letter to the New York Sun asking "Is there a Santa Claus?" The answer to Virginia's question, composed in a moment of deep spiritual insight by Francis B. Church, stands even today as a testament of faith.

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Greetings

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...GOOD HEALTH
...GOOD FRIENDS

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With every good wish for your happiness this Holiday Season

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GREETINGS With loads of good wishes

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Everyone beneath our roof
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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

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Merry Christmas

Christmas Pearls

By ROYCE FIELDS

The jolly Santa, ringing his bell in an appeal for contributions for the needy, grinned his thanks as Dick Slater dropped a bill into the kettle. The donation was a salute, not only to the Yuletide spirit, but to Dick's own good forture. He had a home, a lovely wife named Jean, and a smaller reproduction of himself named Pete. What more could a man want?

One other thing made this a great day for Dick. He was on his way to fulfill a dream. While they were still engaged, he had bought a strand of simulated pearls for Jean. Somehow the feeling had grown on him that, until he could replace the phoney baubles with a string of real ones, he wouldn't be a success in the eyes of his dark-haired, brown - eyed Jean.

"Put this card on the outside of the package," he told the clerk who wrapped his gift. On the card he had written: TO A REAL PEARL—A STRING OF THEM!



The thief merely stepped back and brought the heavy gun crashing down on his victim's head.

"This Is A Stickup"

It was beginning to get dark when Dick got off the train in suburban Roseville where he lived. He started to walk briskly toward his home, two blocks away. Happy in the glow of having, at last, realized his cherished dream, he didn't see the figure lurking in the dark alley till the man stepped out and thrust the gun into his abdomen.

"This is a stickup!" the thug snapped hoarsely. "Turn around and get your hands up!"

A feeling of relief flooded Dick as he remembered he had spent most of his money on the necklace. Then the thought hit him—the necklace itself was in his pocket!

"Listen fellow," he pleaded, over his shoulder, with the gunman, "I have a Christmas present for my wife in my pocket. Take my money, but leave me that!"

The hoodlum didn't answer. Methodically, he continued taking everything out of Dick's pockets. As his hand started to remove the precious little package, Dick Slater went wild! He whirled, slapping with his left hand at about where he thought the gun would be. He caught nothing. The thief merely stepped back and brought the heavy gun crashing down on his victim's head.

Out Of Darkness

As the darkness cleared away, Dick became aware that he was in a hospital. Gradually, he realized Jean and little Pete were beside his bed.

"Hello," he said groggily.

"Oh, Dick!" Jean half sobbed, half laughed, "I've been scared! The doctor says you only have a slight concussion, though, and you're going to be all right!"

As his head continued to clear, the realization of his loss overwhelmed Dick. The necklace — his precious gift was gone!

"I had a present for you, Jean . . ." he began.

"I know, foolish," his wife cut in, "and you almost lost your life trying to save it."

"But it was the string of real pearls I've always wanted you to have, Jean. You know how much they meant to me!"

"Yes, I've known the silly obsession you've had about my wearing simulated pearls," Jean said almost sternly. "It never seemed to occur to that my husband and little Pete were the real pearls in my life!"

"Well, this is going to be a bum Christmas for you," Dick said glumly, "and I thought it would be the best yet."

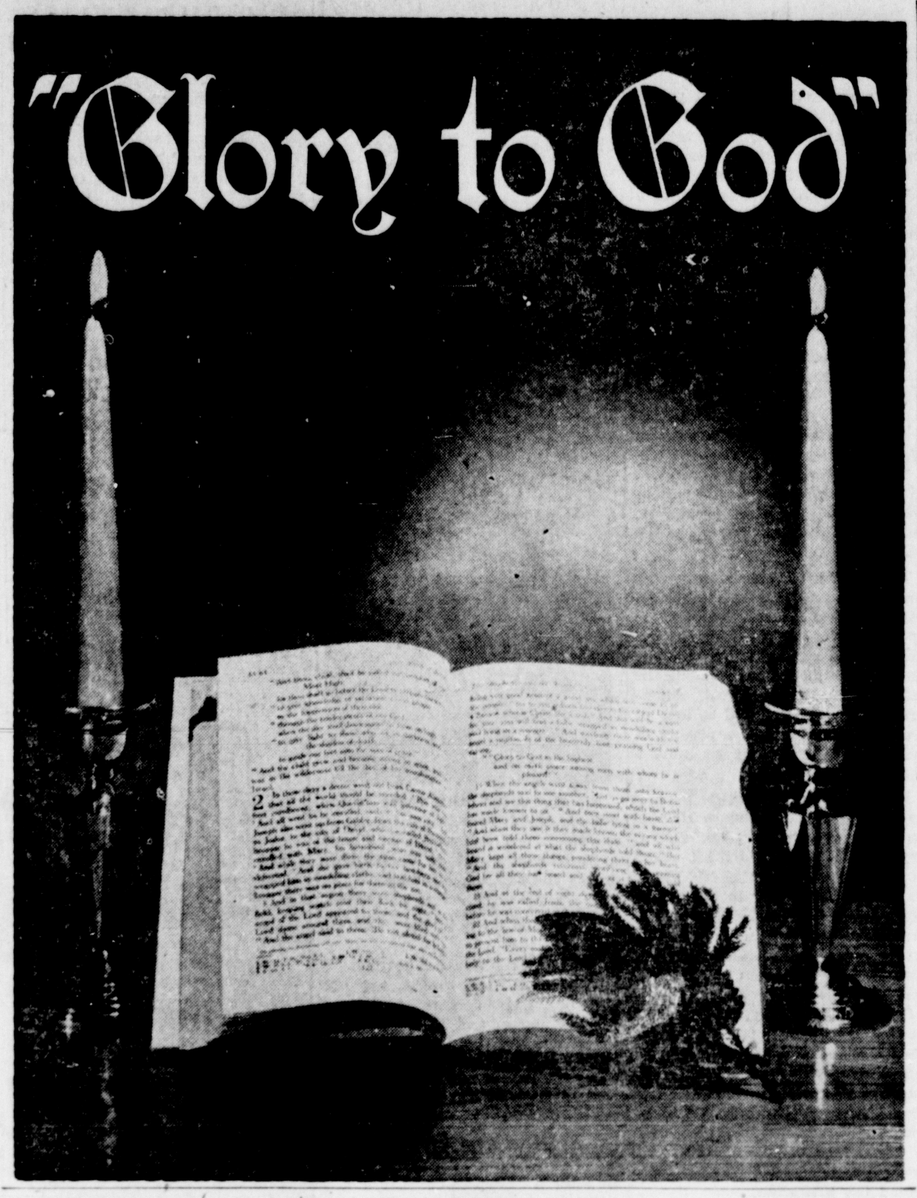
"It's going to be," Jean told him. "Look!"

She put her arm under his shoulder and lifted him to a sitting position. In one corner of the room was a beautiful little Christmas tree. Piled high under it were the gifts he and Jean had wrapped for little Pete. Jean went over and brought back two of the packages. One was her present to him — a watch he had wanted. The other package. . .

Suddenly, he recognized it — the pearls!

"Yes," Jean said, "my pearls. When the police caught the thief, he hadn't time to open them even."

Dick pulled his wife to him and said huskily, "It is a wonderful Christmas, darling, and you're right. The real pearls are the things we carry in our hearts!"





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Happy Holidays



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YORK SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. John Coe



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THE SHOEMAKER AND HIS GUEST

He was an old shoemaker, loved and honored by all his neighbors, who affectionately called him "Uncle Cobbler."

It was Christmas Eve, and he sat alone in his little shop, slowly reading from The Book about the visit of the wise men to the Babe in the manger at Bethlehem, and of the gifts they brought.

He murmured to himself, "If tomorrow were the first Christmas and if that Babe were to be born in our city this night. I know what I would give Him!" He rose and took from a shelf two tiny shoes of softest, snow-white leather with bright silver buckles. "I would give Him these, my finest work. How pleased His mother would be! But I'm a foolish old man," he thought, smiling. "He has no need of my poor gifts."

Replacing the shoes, he blew out the candle and slipped into his bed. Hardly had he closed his eyes, it seemed, when he heard a voice call his name. Instinctively, he felt aware of the identity of the Speaker.

"Uncle Cobbler, you have longed to see me. Tomorrow I shall pass by your window. If you see me and bid me enter, I shall be your guest and sit at your table."

The old shoemaker did not sleep that night for joy. Before it was yet dawn, he rose and swept and tidied up his little shop. He rearranged what little furnishings he had, and spread green boughs of fir along the rafters. On the spotless, linen-covered table he placed a loaf of bread, a jar of honey, a pitcher of milk, and over the fire he hung a pot of coffee.

When all was in readiness he took up his vigil at the window. He was certain he would know the Visitor. From childhood had he not gazed in love and reverence at His image above the great altar in the cathedral? Then as he watched the driving sleet falling upon that deserted street, he thought of the joy that would be his when he sat down and broke bread with his Guest.

Soon, he saw an old street-sweeper pass by, blowing upon his thin, gnarled hands to warm them. "Poor fellow, he must be half frozen," thought the shoemaker. Opening the door, he called out to him. "Come in, friend, and warm, and drink a cup of coffee." No further urging was needed, and the man gratefully accepted the invitation.

An hour passed. Then the shoemaker noticed a young, miserably clad woman, carrying a baby. She paused wearily to rest in the shelter of his doorway. The heart of the old cobbler was touched. Quickly he flung open the door. "Come in and warm while you rest," he said to her, "You do not look well," he remarked.

"I am going to the hospital. I hope they will take me in, and my baby boy," she explained. "My husband is at sea, and I am ill, without money."

"Poor child!" cried the old man. "You must eat something while you are getting warm. No? Then let me give a cup of milk to the little one. Ah! what a bright, pretty little fellow he is! Why, you have no shoes on him!"

"I have no shoes for him," sighed the mother.

"Then he shall have this lovely pair I finished yesterday." And the old shoemaker took down from the shelf the soft little snow-white shoes he had looked at the evening before, and slipped them on the child's feet. They fitted perfectly. Shortly after, the poor young mother went on her way, tearful with gratitude, and the old cobbler resumed his post at the window.

Hour after hour slipped by, and while many people passed and many needy souls shared his hospitality of the old cobbler, the expected Guest did not appear.

Finally, when night had fallen, he retired to his cot with a heavy heart. "It was only a dream," he sighed. "I did hope and believe, but He has not come."

Suddenly, so it seemed to his weary eyes, the room was flooded with a glorious light, and to the cobbler's astonished vision there appeared before him, one by one, the poor street-sweeper, the sick mother and her baby, and all the folk whom he had aided during the day. Each smiled at him, then said the Voice again:

"Have you not seen me? Did not sit at your table?" And all was still.

Out of the silence came the echo of familiar words: "Whosoever shall receive one such little child in My name, receiveth Me.

"I was hungered and ye gave Me meat; thirsty and ye gave Me drink; a stranger and ye took Me in.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

In the far distant past, the sequoia trees, now found mostly in California, weer widely distributed over four continents.

More male than female babies are born among most peoples, but the proportion varies from place to place and from time to time.

Jour De L' An Is Gay Day In French Canada

The gayest day in the calendar for French-Canadians is "Jour de L'An" — New Year's Day — the occasion for family re-unions and exchanging gifts.

The most important event of the day is the "blessing of the patriarch." It is the custom for a French-Canadian when he gets up on the morning of January 1 to speak to no one until he has been to the father of the house and asked for his blessing.

Each one goes down on his knees and says: "Father, give me your blessing." The father in reply holds out his hand and says: "May God bless you, my child; I bless you with all my heart."



Nativity scene. This scene is repeated on thousands of lawns of private homes and public buildings in the home towns of the nations during the Christmas season.

EARLY YULETIDE THOUGHT PAGAN BY CHRISTIANS

Christmas, like any other blessed institution, has had to fight its battles. The first great enemy of Christmas was the Roman empire whose pagan emperors determined to blot out all kinds of Christian rites.

Then when Roman Emperor Constantine Christianized the empire other enemies of Christmas arose. One course of contention was: Is December 25 really Christmas? Some said Christ was born on January 6; others held for March 29. Some set April 21 as His birthday. Nobody knew with complete confidence just when to celebrate Christmas. At last, in the fourth century, Pope Julius I settled the matter in favor of our present date. His decision was universally accepted.

Season Of Feasting

From the first there had been among Christians a certain hostility toward the Christmas festival. The celebration of birthdays in general was considered heathenish and something taken over from the pagans. Nor did the enemies of Christmas fail to observe that many pagan customs had crept into the feastings of the day. Christmas and the days of Advent that go before it occur at the time of the winter solstice, when the days cease to grow shorter, and begin to lengthen — when the sun, having declined its furthest from zenith, begins to climb again.

The period was one of festival in many parts of the world, and was held sacred by many religions. Then occurred the Roman Saturnalia, with its wild excesses, and the people of the north, too, had a great midwinter feast with days of hearty eating and deep drinking. It was only natural that some of the old pagan rites peculiar to the season should be held over and incorporated into the rejoicings of Christmas.

Date To Romas Days

From the Saturnalia came banquetings and dancings and riotings in masks and the giving of gifts. Our Christmas dinner and Christmas presents and Christmas cards and the wearing of Christmas masks in various parts of the world date back to the Saturnalia. The mid-winter feast of the northern peoples was called Yule, hence our Yuletide and Yule log. The burning of the Christmas log descends from northern tree worship. So does the Christmas tree. The ancient Druids gave Christmas its holly and mistletoe.

Santa Claus seems to date from later Christian times. He is good St. Nicholas, of course. The hanging of stockings comes from the legend that the saint, among his other charities, used to provide doweries for poor girls. The older form of the Christmas stocking custom was for poor girls to hang up stockings in the hope that benevolent St. Nicholas would place marriage portions in them.

A female silk worm moth lays about 500 eggs about five days after leaving the cocoon and then dies.

One gram of pure silver can be drawn into a wire so fine that it is more than a mile long.



DR. J. A. WIERMAN
Dillsburg, Pa.

With every friendly wish for your HAPPINESS at CHRISTMAS



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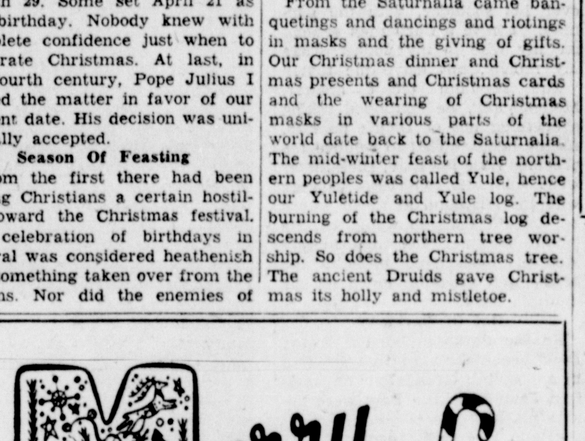
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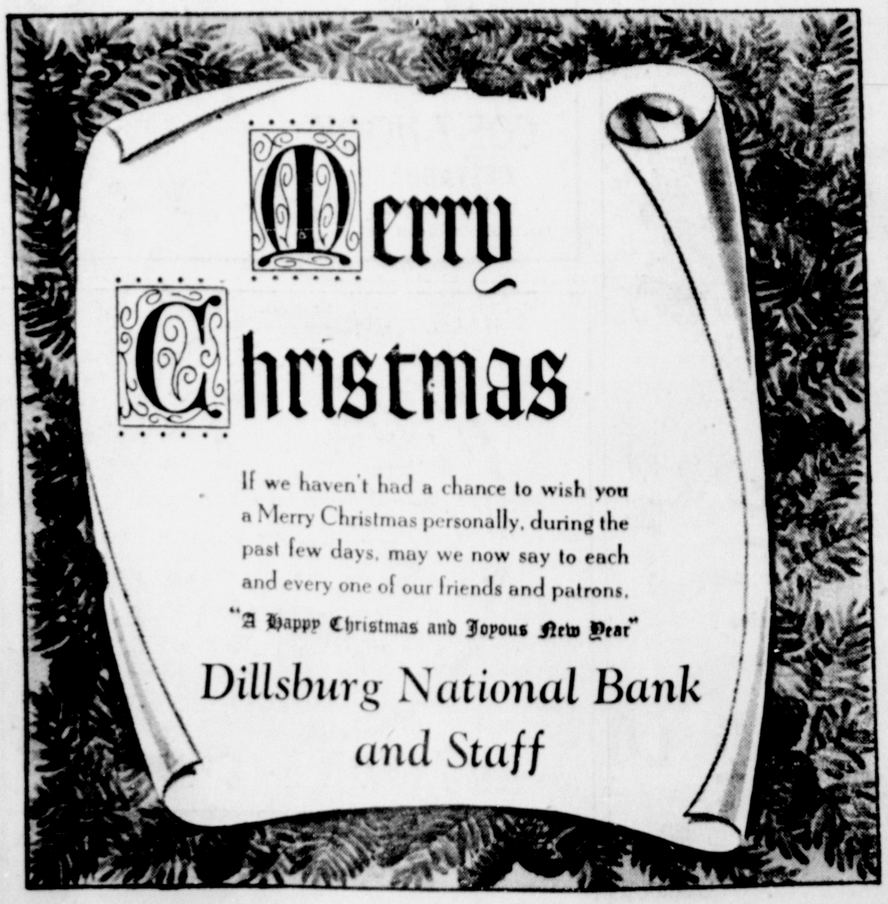
At Christmas

May the warmth of the Yuletide spirit surround you and your loved ones throughout a bright and healthy New Year.

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MONEY'S WORTH IN GIFTS FOR CAMERA FANS

By IRVING DESFOR

The Christmas shopping dollar, out to please your camera fan, has a wide assortment of potential gifts to intrigue it. It can be sliced very thin . . . into quarters . . . or it can be multiplied by many hundreds, yet it will find some item that will make a shutterbug happy.

A quarter - dollar will supply stocking stuffers such as a roll of film, two new bantam flash bulbs, exposure guides, informative booklets, chemical and print paper packets.

If a person isn't a photo addict, that same shopping budget can start him, or her, off with complete kits. There are camera outfits, attractively packaged by the major manufacturers, that start around $13 and go up. When a beginner opens one of these outfits Christmas morning, he can start shooting pictures. Film, flashgun, reflector, flashbulbs, batteries and instructions are included with the camera.

This is a good time, too, to start a camera fan on the darkroom trail. Complete outfits for developing and printing snapshots at home start around $9. This can become a very absorbing hobby for youngsters and might be the antidote for too much — or no television on the long winter evenings just ahead.

When you are buying accessories for a fan, specific knowledge of his present camera equipment will be a help in deciding on useful gadgets. Jot down the name, lens and negative size of his camera. With this information, plus the friendly help of your camera store salesman and your budget, you can then decide whether the gift might be a sunshade and filter combination, gadget bag, camera case, tripod, light meter, negative files, new photo album or rolls of color film.

This year, more than ever, new worlds in color, motion and three dimensions are gift possibilities for camera fans who have heretofor taken pictures only in black-and-white stills. Miniature cameras for 35mm color slides, movie and stereo cameras have been simplified so that their operation can be compared almost to that of a box camera for black-and-white. With some attention to the instruction manuals that accompany these cameras, beginners can be assured of creditable pictures in these mediums right from the start. Prices start at around $35 for 35mm, $40 for movie and $125 for stereo cameras.

Accessories Welcome

If the giftees already have cameras, then screens, projectors and viewers make welcome gifts. Here again, knowledge of the specific camera must be known to procure the right accessory. For stereo, extra hand viewers are always handy. For efficiency and order, there are movie reel chests and slide files. On the practical side are movie splicers and slide binding outfits. A candid-stereo bracket is now available which couples a press type camera with a stereo camera so that when the photographer fires one flashbulb, pictures are taken simultaneously on both cameras. This bracket costs $32.50.

Portable speedlight units which eliminate individual flash bulbs are now available for the more serious photographers. Weighing less than 10 pounds, they can be had from around $50 and up.

For the darkroom hound some useful accessories might be: An electric timer with seconds for enlarging and minutes for processing; a paper safe; new enlarger, easel or safe light; a magnifying viewer for enlargements; a super-deep developing tank for roll films or some prepared fine grain developer like the new Finex-L.

Reference Books

When it's difficult to pin-point the exact item a camera fan needs, you can always settle for a book. For over-all information and reference, one of the most practical gifts might be "The Amateur Photographer's Hand-Book" by Aaron Sussman, published by Thomas Crowell Co., ($3.75). This fourth edition is newly revised.

For pictures just to look at, there's Simon & Shuster's expensive edition ($12.50) of Henri Cartier Bresson's "Deisive Moments." For great pictures plus some of the year's best news pictures we have the photo magazine annuals: "U.S. Camera, 1953" (Duell, Sloan & Pearce, $6.95) and "Photography Annual, 1953" (Crown Publ. $3). And for the story of this past year in words and 1,000 pictures there's "Year, 1952 Edition" (Year, Inc., $6.95).

Well, that's a rough picture of how you can spend that photo shopping dollar. It's a picture, though, that you'll look at time and again with mounting pleasure.



Holy Glass. This stained window is in the church of Oberndorf, Germany, where the beloved Christmas carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night," was first sung.

Robin Roberts of the Phillies was the only National League hurler to won 20 games in 1952. He won 28 for a fourth place team.

Selects Toys For Child's Age Level

A child's Christmas toys should be chosen with as much care as you would buy his clothes — to "fit" his age level.

If the child is just learning to walk and climb, give him play materials to stimulate these activities. He needs his first picture book when he begins to talk, housekeeping toys at about three when he begins to want to help mother, and crayons and scissors when he can begin to handle them.

Parents, aunts, uncles and cousins should consider what the child is ready for as regards physical growth and mental and social development in selecting toys.

If toys are selected with some relation to the child's growth and needs, they will be toys which stimulate self-reliance.

Most children, it is believed, can fare better with fewer but carefully selected toys. And when buying a toy, the parents should consider its probable "life."

There have been more than 30 sieges of Jerusalem.









MERRY CHRISTMAS
and all good wishes for your health, happiness and success in the New Year.
TWO MILE INN
Littlestown-Gettysburg Road

MERRY CHRISTMAS
Once more it is a pleasure to extend to our many friends and patrons our very best wishes for a Christmas bristling with happiness and good cheer.
LITTLESTOWN NATIONAL BANK
Littlestown, Penna.





And Best Wishes For The Holiday Season
WINDSOR SHOE CO., INC.
LITTLESTOWN, PENNA.



TO OUR MANY FRIENDS and CUSTOMERS!
J. RAY REINDOLLAR
Feed & Fertilizer
LITTLESTOWN, PA.

TO WISH YOU
Greetings of the Season
And, may we add —
THANK YOU
For your Patronage
THE LITTLESTOWN STUDIO
Phone 173-R
LITTLESTOWN, PA.

Santa Claus Wishes You...

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Ford TRACTOR
Dearborn FARM EQUIPMENT



AMOS L. SPANGLER
Distributor of ESSO PRODUCTS
PHONE 53-J R. 2, LITTLESTOWN, PA.



We've lined up to extend to you our sincerest Season's Greetings. May the bountiful joy that we wish you for Christmas be followed by an equal measure of happiness in the New Year.
HOUSTON'S GROCERY
Home-Owned Community Store
25 S. QUEEN ST. LITTLESTOWN, PA.
Phone 128-R

MOM'S KITCHEN IN HEART OF U. S. SERVICEMEN

American servicemen stationed over the world might have good vittles for Christmas dinner — succulent turkey, gravy and plum pudding — and all the glamor that the U.S.O. an bring to them in the way of entertainment. But their thoughts are nearer to their hearts than their stomachs, and the universal thought is to get back to Mom's kitchen and their own gang.

This was the idea conveyed by a group of seven boys who were guests of the U.S.O. at a luncheon at which Mrs. Dwight Eisenhower made her first public appearance since the General became President-Elect.

The service men loved Mamie when she added in praising the U.S.O. that ". . . and you all know where my John is." And the boys admit they are keeping their fingers crossed that President-Elect Eisenhower's trip will be a success. In any case even if it doesn't bring the Korean war to an immediate end, and they don't expect it will, they are all in agreement that "it is just what the boys need . . . a great morale booster . . . a threat to the Communist theory that Americans are soft . . . a look-see at first hand that will help the entire picture."

"Get It Over"

Korea is uppermost in the minds of most servicemen today, particulary the younger boys who do not expect to make a career of the armed services.



His biggest Christmas thrill to date can come this Christmas if his most important gift is to be his first bike. Children are ready for them earlier now with models for the youngest equipped with extra demountable wheels to help them learn the instructive and healthful art of balance safely. Girls too yearn for bikes.

A question put to these boys . . . "What is the most important question in the serviceman's mind today" brought these answers:

"Getting the Korean deal over with" . . . . George Acosta, 24, 7 years with the air force and stationed at Mitchell Air Force Base . . . .

"When do we get out?" . . . A/B Edmund Irizazrry, 18, 1½ years with the air force, stationed at Donaldson Air Force Base, S. C.

"When is the police action going to be over in Korea?" . . . A/2C John Chrisman, 19, 1½ years in the Air Force, Westover A.F.B.

"When do the men who stayed in the service after the war benefit from veteran's benefits, such as getting a bonus in lieu of not being able to take advantage of G.I. school benefits" . . . H. Eugene Tillman, Jr. Q.M., 13 years, U.S.N.

"I understand there is some talk of a pay raise for the service men and women. When are they going to agree to it? Our expenses have gone up, too" . . . Howard D. Hoskins, A/B . . . 9 years, U.S.N

"His future in the service, and how it will affect his family and himself should he decide to stay in the service" . . . Sgt. Edgar R. Fox, U.S. Army Signal Corps (12 years).

"How soon we can end this war and have a free country to live in?" . . . PFC James T. Cutler, U.S.M.C., Marine Barracks, Brooklyn, N. Y.

All of the boys stressed that they had no intention of shirking their reponsibilities and want ot see the Korean situation settled "one way or another" to the best advantage of the world. But they just wish something would happen soon.

Let's all try to make this a Merry Christmas for servicemen. If there is a base near your home, why not get your family to ask one boy to share Christmas dinner with you? People need to be reminded that these boys are in a fighting war and they're not wearing their uniforms because they look pretty. Some of these young men will be on their way to Korea perhaps shortly after Christmas. If you can cheer them up for the holidays, your time will be well spent and well remembered.

Welcome Any Time

And for those boys you know in Korea, and other outposts, why not go all out doing extra special kindnesses for them? Perhaps your little last-minute remembered gift will not get there in time for Christmas but a little present will be welcomed by any of those young men whenever they receive it. Get you group together and airmail Christmas cards or share a cabled message to the boys you know at the fighting front.

If you want to get yourself in the spirit of the thing, think of how frightened you get when a car narrowly misses hitting you; think of how miserable you feel when you must traipse through mud on a rainy day when you are unprepared for the elements; think how hungry and dizzy you get when you can't get home in time for your dinner, and think how cold you feel when your coat doesn't seem quite warm enough on a bad winter day. When you've thought about these things, multiply them by a 1000 and perhaps you'll have a small idea of what it feels like to be at the front on a cold Christmas Day.

Allegorical Parades Mark Mexican Yule

The people in Mexico build elaborate floats for allegorical parades during the holiday season.

For eight evenings before Christmas there is a religious procession at the head of which the figures of Joseph and Mary are borne.

On the ninth evening entrance is permitted and a religious ceremony conducted about the straw-filled manger of the Babe.

NEW YEAR MAY BOAST OLDEST GREETING FORM

"Happy New Year," said in one way or another, is probably the world's oldest and most universal holiday greeting.

The coming of the new year has been marked and celebrated since prehistoric time. It has not always been January 1, however, and even now many peoples celebrate some other date as New Year's Day.

January 1, in fact, is an arbitrary date set by the Romans before Julius Caesar established the calendar that is the basis for the date used in most western countries. January 1, in ancient Rome, marked the day that consuls and other officials took office, and until Caesar set things straight it was sometimes juggled considerably for the political benefit of one officeholder or another.

Error In Calculation

An error in Caesar's calculation (365½ days however, allowed January 1 to creep away from its original astronomical place, and by 1582 when Pope Gregory XIII instituted the reformed Julian calendar in use today, spring's first day had gained 14 days on the stars.

Practical as it is, the Gregorian calendar gained slow acceptance. The British Empire, including its American colony, did not adopt it until 1752. Young George Washington, who had turned 20 on February 11, 1752, had to wait until February 22, 1753, to attain his majority.

To wish you the
Best of Everything throughout a


HAPPY
Holiday
Hollinger's Market
100 S. QUEEN ST. LITTLESTOWN, PA.
Phone 16-W We Deliver

Merry Christmas
and warmest wishes
for a happy
year!

PENNSYLVANIA PAPER BOX, INC.
Littlestown, Pa.


Our SINCERE
Good Wishes
As the Christmas bells ring out to herald the approach of another Yuletide, we are reminded of the many pleasant associations enjoyed during the past year. In appreciation of your friendships may we extend our very best Christmas Wishes.
SCHEIVERT'S GARAGE
Kaiser-Frazer Sales & Service
PHONE 160-R-12 LITTLESTOWN, PA.

GREETINGS
We cannot help but think of our many friends who have made the past year so worthwhile. To all of them, we wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

GEORGE'S RESTAURANT
102 NEWARK ST. LITTLESTOWN, PA.

A Joyous Season
to Each of you at this glad time of the year.

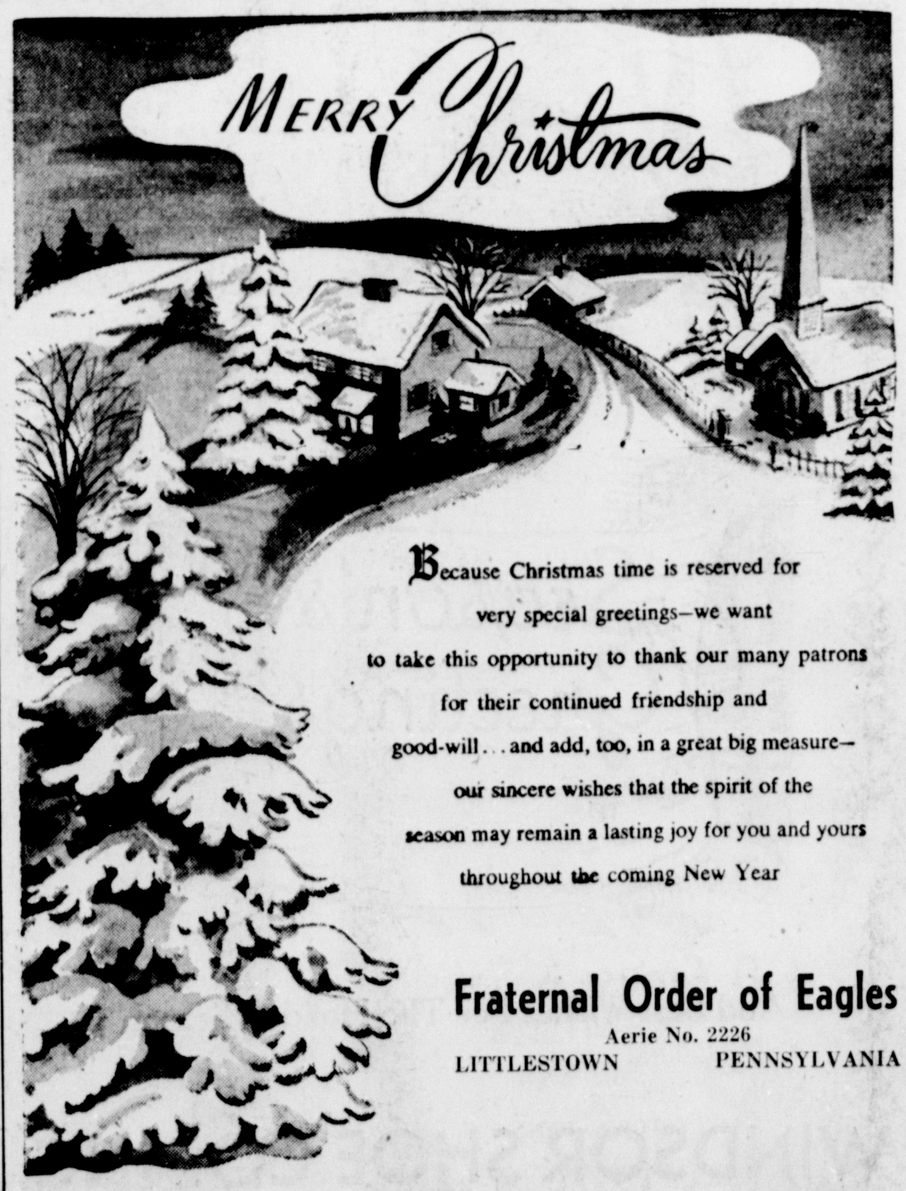
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Littlestown, Pa.


GREETING YOU AT CHRISTMAS
WITH BEST WISHES FOR YOUR HAPPINESS
LITTLESTOWN HOME PLANNERS
Evan M. Appler, Representative
215 N. QUEEN ST. PHONE 155-J LITTLESTOWN, PA.

Christmas Greetings
FOR many of us the Holiday season is also "inventory time." This is a happy coincidence. Because, when we come to count our assets . . . none is quite so valuable as the one that never appears on our books, but which is always written large in our hearts . . . the friendship and loyalty of those whom we are privileged to serve. To one and all of you we say most sincerely: "Thanks a million . . . and may the happiness of the season abide with you and yours throughout the New Year."
LITTLESTOWN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
LITTLESTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA

GOOD CHEER
... and
HAPPINESS
for
Christmas
to you — our friends
WINTRODE'S GARAGE
BUICK SALES & SERVICE
N. Queen St. Phone 170 Littlestown, Pa.

Merry Christmas
TO OUR CUSTOMERS
LEE PLACE
RECAPPING AND VULCANIZING
Phones: Shop 120-J — Res. 120-R
LITTLESTOWN, PA.



Because Christmas time is reserved for very special greetings—we want to take this opportunity to thank our many patrons for their continued friendship and good-will . . . and add, too, in a great big measure—our sincere wishes that the spirit of the season may remain a lasting joy for you and yours throughout the coming New Year
Fraternal Order of Eagles
Aerie No. 2226
LITTLESTOWN PENNSYLVANIA

TWO MILLION DWARF TREES REACH MARKET

DULUTH, Minn. (AP) — Dwarf spruce trees whose growth has been stunted for as long as a century in ancient lakebeds will bring Christmas cheer to about two million living rooms.

The little trees that have struggled for survival through decades of frigid winters in the remote swamplands of Minnesota's north woods will be decked out in shiny coats of paint for the holidays.

Some will be silver, some white, some bright green.

The warm holiday atmosphere in which the trees will be the center of attention will be in direct contrast to their northwoods environment.

For years the trees were unable to get enough nourishment from the water-soaked lakebeds for proper growth. Thousands upon thousands of them clustered in small areas. Icy winds whistled through their yellow-gray branches for as many as 100 winters.

They Need Color

The spruce lose their "healthy" rich green coloring because of poor condition of the mucky soil and take on the yellow-gray shading.

While most people were getting ready for Easter, woodsmen began cutting the trees for the holidays. By the time the peak of the cutting season was reached, Halvorson Trees, Inc., had about 85 cutters on the job.

The Halvorson firm claims to be the biggest operator in the field. Their production this year will be between one-and-a-half and two million trees. At full production, 10,000 trees are processed in one day. Many of the trees come from the firm's own 15,000-acre tract. Others come from areas owned by federal, state or county governments.

The only trees cut are those that have been stunted in the swamplands to the extent they will never be good for pulpwood. Less than 10 per cent of the standing growth in any area is cut in any single year. The trees cut must be perfectly formed on a miniature scale and must be between 36 and 42 inches high.

Miles From Highways

Most areas in which the trees are cut are miles from good roads. Woodsmen cut tractor paths through woodlands fabled in Paul Bunyan lore, spreading small trees across the path to support tractors with extra wide treads.

The small black spruce are cut with Swedish bushmen's saws that resemble small bucksaws with steel bows. Tractors pull big loads of trees over the mucky swampland and through the woodlands to main roads, where trucks pick them up.

Only a few hours after the trees are cut, they are processed at the Halvorson plant in the port city of Duluth on the north shore of Lake Superior

A conveyor belt pulls the trees into a big vat, where they are covered with a fire-resistant waxy undercoating. A whirling process dries the trees before the top coating is applied.

Green Is Most Popular

Seventy-five per cent of the Halvorson trees are painted bright green, 15 per cent silver and 10 per cent white. Short strands of rayon fiber are sprayed on the white trees, giving them a frosty finish.

Whirling blades shave the tree trunks at the base and whittle them down to a half-inch dowel. A steel stand, six inches high and filled with preserving fluid, is then clamped on the trunk.

The trees are moved from the processing line into cold storage warehouses. During the shipping season, which started this year on Nov. 10, the trees are moved directly into freight cars.

As many as 18 freight cars, each holding 7,500 trees, leave the plant daily during the peak of the shipping season.

There is no clear line of difference that distinguishes sheep from goats.



Christmas choir. Junior members of a church choir lift their voices in a song during the annual Christmas candlelight service. Truly, they represent the spirit of Christmas.

BAY, ROSEMARY XMAS TRADITION

Bay and rosemary have also been represented among our Christmas plants from time immemorial. An ancient writer says: "Rosemarie and Baies that are most faire were stuck about the houses and the churches at the time of Christmas."

According to tradition it was the bay tree, with its lance-like leaves and purple berries, that sheltered the holy family during a thunderstorm. Accordingly it was believed that lightning will never strike a bay tree.

The association of the rosemary plant with Christmas also goes back to early childhood of our Lord, namely to the flight into Egypt to escape the wrath and jealously of King Herod. Its branches are said to have held the little garments of the Christ-Child that were placed upon them by the Virgin Mother. Originally, its flowers were supposed to have been white, but the plant changed the color of its blossoms to lavendar so that they might bear the hue of the cloak Mary was wearing at the time.

Pete Runnels of the Washington Senators played in 152 games last season and did not steal a single base.

Snakes have no eyelids or external ears.

Among some marine worms, the male lives as a parasite in the body of the female.

"Sergeant" originally meant "foot soldier," but it has come to mean a non-commissioned officer.



LITTLESTOWN ESSO SERVICENTER

With best wishes for a Merry Christmas

HIGINBOTHAM'S
LITTLESTOWN, PA.

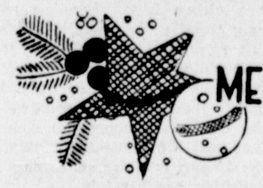
MERRY CHRISTMAS
We sincerely hope that this Christmas you will receive a full share of lasting good health and happiness.
REIGLE'S MARKET
151 Lumber St. Littlestown, Pa.
Phone 204-M



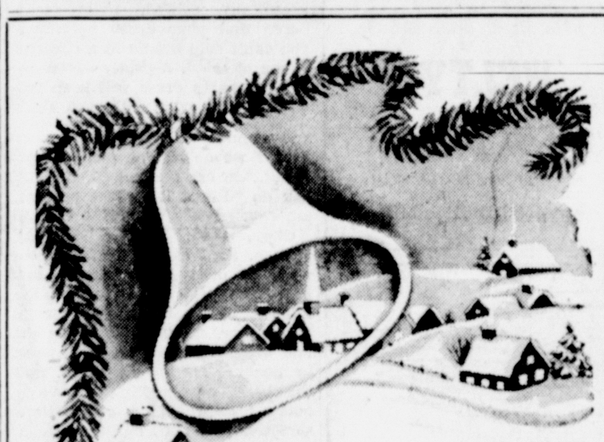
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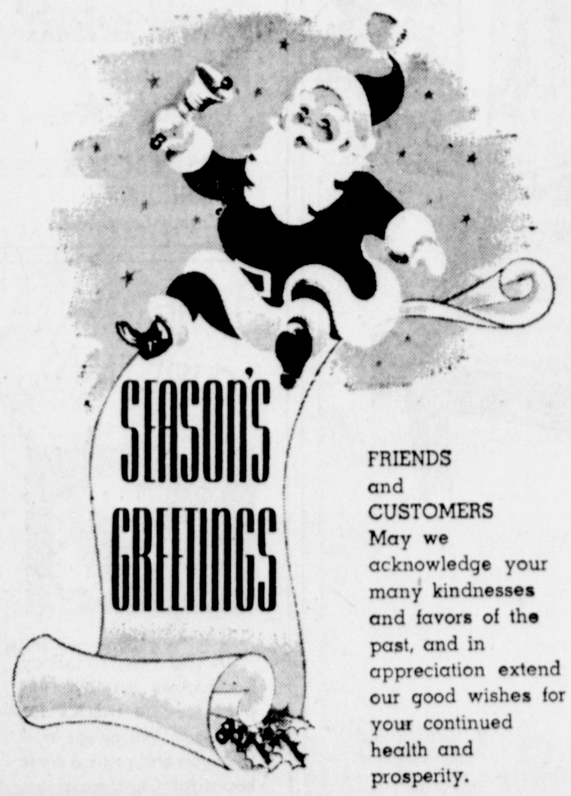
Merry Christmas
The value of our friendships is appreciated more and more as we go further and further on our business journey. To our old friends and new acquaintances we extend our sincerest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
ECKER'S FURNITURE STORE
Phone 82-M
LITTLESTOWN, PA.

Greetings
It is so heartwarming to remember at Christmastime, friends whose faith and loyalty have always meant so much to us! Along with our greetings we send you every good wish for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
EVELYN'S BEAUTY SHOP
Littlestown Penna.
Phone 280

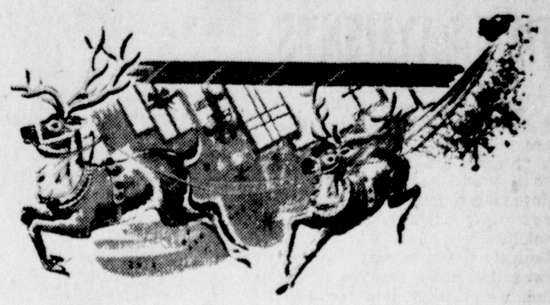

MERRY Christmas
To each of you
We extend our most sincere greetings
ROSE-ELLA INFANT & TOT SHOP
28 W. King St. Littlestown, Pa.


Merry Christmas
May we extend to you our very best wishes for a Holiday Season rich in happiness and joy.
MAITLAND BROS.
EARTH MOVING CONTRACTORS
Phone 71-M Littlestown, Pa.


Season's Best Wishes
As the Christmas chimes ring out once more we send wishes for a Happy Holiday to all our friends.
PATTERSON'S MEAT MARKET
Littlestown, Pa.



FRIENDS and CUSTOMERS
May we acknowledge your many kindnesses and favors of the past, and in appreciation extend our good wishes for your continued health and prosperity.
FEESER'S DAIRY
Milk — Cream — Ice Cream
PHONE 52-M LITTLESTOWN, PA.


Yuletide Greetings
For your patronage and friendly good will, please accept our sincere thanks and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year.
The Entire Personnel of
MARVIN'S CUT-RATE STORE
Littlestown, Penna.



Basehoars Restaurant
N. Queen St. Littlestown, Pa.



At this happy time of the year, may you be blessed with the spiritual joys of the Christmas Season.
I. H. Crouse & Sons
Building Headquarters
PHONE 51 LITTLESTOWN, PA.

SAYS TOO MUCH PURCHASED ON TIME PAYMENTS

By CYNTHIA LOWRY
AP Newsfeatures Writer

It's been a long time since I've heard anyone say flatly and simply, "I can't afford it." And perhaps it would be a good idea to restore those four uncomplicated words to a popular spot in our vocabularies.

Recently a federal survey showed that most families in the nation were spending a few hundred more dollars a year than they were earning. Loaning money has become an enormous business as it has become easier to borrow money. Installment - plan buying puts almost anything our hearts desire in our paths.

Everything, from diamond stomachers to bedside radios, are available today on the dollar-down-and - a - little - every month basis, which is fine and wonderful. Where most of us Americans fall down, apparently, is in the department of decision — determining what we really are justified in going in the hole for.

Made Borrowing Easy

Actually, the onus on borrowing money has been removed for a comparatively few years. Not too long ago, individual borrowing was not only frowned upon, but arranging a loan without security was practically impossible. People who wanted to buy something usually set their sights upon the object, saved their money until they had enough to cover the purchase price and then went out and bought it. These were tougher customers, and the very process of saving to buy eliminated whims and fancies.

Buying has been made infinitely easier for the present generation, both by sellers who use siren arts in presenting their merchandise, and by the banks themselves who today eagerly shout to the world how easy it is to pick up a personal loan. All this puts more and more responsibility on the purchaser in separating the wheat of puurchases from the chaff of unnecessary ones.

The ease with which persons with steady jobs and modest incomes can acquire necessary things today has made life considerably more pleasant. It is wise borrowing, for instance, for a salesman to acquire an automobile on credit, and pay for it while he is using it. It is a good investment for the head of a family to buy a washing machine largely on credit, and to have the use of the machine through the period when it is being paid for.

Trouble comes, as it must, when the family over-extends itself with the pay-as-you-go system. It might swing payments on the car, or the washing machine, or both. But when it is also paying on new wall-to-wall carpeting, a new TV set, and a fur coat, trouble is likely to break out in the budget.

Payments Pile Up

Credit, for most of us, is so easily come by today, it's hard to believe that there's anything we really can't afford. But these rather small payments here, larger payments there, and those down payments have a way of piling up on the unwary householder until comes a day when he's not only broke but worried sick too. It takes a stern, realistic mind to sit down with pencil and paper to figure out in cold numbers just what we can and cannot afford. And chances are, if we do sit down and figure it out, we can't afford it, and we can do without it for the present, anyway.

Okay, okay. So I've had my lecture. So I can't afford to have a porch built on my house this year. Anyway, the trim and the kitchen are painted, the car is pretty new, the TV set is all right and the man is coming next week to measure for the carpeting. And the bank isn't writing me nasty notes. I know when I can't afford something — until spring.



Holiday hands applaud the new texture idea of satin and plush-velvet gloves, styled to match this year's evening costumes. These with wide coin dot cuff.

SANTA EXPECTS EVERY GIRL TO LOOK PRETTIEST

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Christmas glamor can be yours in spite of the hectic period which precedes the holiday.

Most women find the Yuletide season "depressing." But sometimes that feeling exists because they have pushed themselves beyond their endurance.

Most important holidays are exhausting because food preparations and cookery take such a big hunk of time and energy. But at Christmas other chores are added to the list. The lady of the house has either been shopping for a long time, or has left it all for a last minute rush. She is burdened by mailing out of town gifts, gift wrapping and trimming the Christmas tree. Also included in the Christmas chores is a house that must be made to twinkle like the heavenly stars. Cleaning and polishing are big jobs.

Time-Consuming

All of these things are time-consuming operations, and when they must be sandwiched in to a short period, they are likely to be enervating.

One thing that can save the picture is a beauty rejuvenation plan just before the holiday, and a firm resolve to take it easy in the days before the event.

A half day might be set aside for a session at the beauty parlor. The money for the treatments should be staked out now so that last minute gifts don't gobble it up. If it is beyond your means to enjoy the ministrations of beauty operators, plan to do your own glamorizing at home. Make sure that nothing interferes with it. Although your Christmas dinner may be a gourmet's delight, your Christmas tree a work of art and your presents the most thoughtful of gifts, if you look harassed or irritable the entire picture will be spoiled.

Look Your Best

Many a mother has devoted weeks to preparations for a happy family Christmas. Then on that big day she drags around like a martyr, and her irritibility is inflicted on everyone.

Christmas should be a time of joy and happiness. If your hair is beautifully coiffed, nails manicured and your dress becoming, you can't help but be in a cheerful frame of mind. A pretty apron over your party dress will keep you looking chic even while you slave over the stove. Although the early part of the day will be a heavy work period, after dinner the cook can relax. That's one good reason why dinner should be early on holidays.



The joy of Christmas. Much of the joy of Christmas for mothers and fathers is watching the thrill children get from finding toys under the tree. These children express their joy on Christmas morning. Much of the joy for the children is the anticipation of and mystery in Santa's visit and the guessing about what the old fellow will bring.

The silk worm moth produces only one generation a year in countries with marked seasons, such as those in Europe, but in Japan it produces two a year and in India production is almost continuous.

Time's 10 Dead Days

We celebrate New Year's on January 1 because 10 days have been lifted bodily from time.

These 10 days disappeared on two occasions. The first time was in 1582 when several countries of Eurpoe swore allegiance to the new calendar created by Pope Gregory VIII which found the world some 10 days behind itself due to errors in time calculations.

In order to make the correction, the people of these countries were asked to sacrifice the days from October 5 to 14, inclusive. It was essestial to have October 15 follow October 5 by just one day, and bravely, millions allowed it to be so.

The second occasion, and the one which makes the American New Year celebration come at the right time, occurred in 1752. It was then that England decided to cease holding out against the Gregorian calendar. England discarded the period from September 3 to September 13.

It was a confusing period. Social calendars were mixed up, babies were 11 days old after only being alive for two days, vacations were cut short. But it finally straightened itself out and today the calendar is on schedule.

Snakes do not have vocal cords.



EVERY
GOOD WISH
for a Season
of
genuine
Happiness

ZURGABLE BROS.
Home Supplies
W. Main St., Emmitsburg, Md.



THE PASTRY SHOP
West Main Street
EMMITSBURG, MD.



May your every wish for the Holiday Season be realized — that's our wish for you.

WELTY'S
MEAT MARKET
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Welty
EMMITSBURG, MD.



Christmas Carols---

are in the air and they bid us celebrate once again the Birthday of Him, Whose coming brought peace and joy and good will to man.

AERO OIL CO.
NEW OXFORD, PA.



To wish you a Merry Christmas

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ASHBAUGH'S GROCERY
Emmitsburg, Md.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



In this Happy Holiday Season, we want to express sincere thanks for your past patronage and wish you and yours a most bountiful Christmas.

ROWE'S FOOD MARKET
Member AG Stores
J. W. Rowe, Prop.
EMMITSBURG, MD.

Best wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS

W. G. WEIKERT
315 East Main St. Emmitsburg, Md.

COOPER'S LIQUORS
Your Christmas Gift Store
For Fine Package Liquors
OPEN LATE TONITE! | EASY PARKING!
Merry Christmas
To All Our Friends and Customers
COOPER'S LIQUORS
Rt. 15 — ½ Mi. North of Emmitsburg, Md.
TELEPHONE 123

Merry Christmas and all good wishes for the New Year

THE UTILITY SHOP
Bob and Helen Daugherty
EMMITSBURG, MARYLAND

Season's Greetings



In the true spirit of Christmas we are grateful to those whose courtesy, good will and loyalty have made our progress possible. We look forward to your continued confidence.

CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS

Emmitsburg Recreation Center
West Main Street Emmitsburg, Md.



Following our usual custom each Yuletide Season, we take this means to say to you

Merry Christmas

and, too, we say, "Thanks a million" for your many past courtesies.

GREETINGS...

MEMBER COMMUNITY PURE FOOD STORES
B. H. BOYLE
Phone 136
The Emmitsburg Locker System
EMMITSBURG MARYLAND



May your Christmas glow with bright contentment and may the New Year reflect every joy this wish can bring.

WORMLEY'S RADIO SERVICE
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wormley
EMMITSBURG, MD.



Thinking of you, and wishing you a very Merry Christmas

Emmitsburg Memorial Post 6658
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
Emmitsburg, Md.



OUR STORE WILL BE OPEN TONIGHT - CHRISTMAS EVE UNTIL 11:45 O'CLOCK
Select Your Gifts From Our Stock of
FAMOUS BRANDS
OF DOMESTIC AND IMPORTED
LIQUORS and WINES
Packaged in Beautiful Christmas Boxes
To Each and All of Our Many Friends
We Wish to Say "Season's Greetings"
May You Have a Season of Great Joy and Happiness
PHONE 65 FOR FREE DELIVERY
ROGER LIQUOR STORE
Drive-In Service
EMMITSBURG MARYLAND



MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

In appreciation of your friendship and patronage with which we have been favored may we extend our very best Season's Greetings.

BOWMAN'S FOOD MARKET
Center Square Littlestown, Pa.



At this Joyous Season, when everyday cares are overshadowed by good fellowship and kind thoughts, we sincerely wish you a Merry

VERNON C. REAVER
Plumbing — Heating — Tinning — Spouting
10 E. KING ST. LITTLESTOWN, PA.



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LITTLESTOWN, PA.

Season's Greetings

To all of you whom we have faithfully endeavored to serve for many years, we say

MERRY CHRISTMAS



SCHOTTIE'S
Bern and Deanie
LITTLESTOWN, PA.
WE WILL BE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

HOW TO CHOOSE CHRISTMAS TREE

Nearly 30,000,000 Christmas trees will be sold in the U. S. this year. Select one which will retain its needles well indoors. A simple treatment will keep the needles from drying out, make the tree less flammable and keep it green longer.

Choosing the tree: Select a balsam or Douglas fir. Their needles will last two or three weeks indoors. A balsam is easily identified by its fragrance, rigid branches and two thick rows of needles which do not stab the hand. Douglas fir, the best of the firs, has long pointed red buds. Other firs have globose buds. All have soft needles. A spruce drops its needles soon after it's placed in a warm room. A Norway spruce, however, makes an ideal community Christmas tree outdoors. A white spruce is better than a Norway spruce for indoor use. Pines recogized by extra-long needles can be used. Hemlocks and junipers are of little value as Christmas tree.

Cut at a slant an inch off the base and set the tree in a bucket of water or wet sand 24 hours before bringing it in the house. Then anchor tree firmly in a holder that contains water or moist sand. Do not place it near a radiator.

Fire precautions: (Internally)—No tree can be made completely flame-proof. Government experts suggest reducing flammability by standing tree in a solution of either ammonium sulfate, ammonium phosphate, calcium chloride or ammonium sulfamate four to six days. First weigh tree and divide by four. That will be number of pounds of material required. To each pound add one and a half pints of water. During treatment, keep tree in cool, dark place. (Externally) —Mix nine parts water glass (soluble sodium silicate) with one part water containing teaspoon of wetting agent (such as solvent soap) per quart. Dip tree into solution or spray it on tree. This will give shiny finish to needles.

Christmas Greens: Measure height of ceiling before buying tree. If branches must be trimmed from tree, use them for door spray, mantel piece or swag for newel post. Add to them few branches clipped from red cedar.



Dolly's off to dreamland in her full-size metal crib with sturdy rockers. Big, soft and cuddlesome, she wears a long terrycloth coverall. Crib by American Metal. Doll by Fleischaker. Both recommended for children by the American Toy Institute.

Open House Was Early Saxon Idea

The custom of making short calls on New Years' Day was in full swing in the United States around the turn of the century.

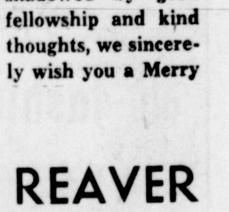
Newspapers carried columns of "at home" notices specifying the hours during which visitors would be received. Hosts and hostesses, having duly received, closed their open house to become guests at somebody else's.

"Open House" on New Year's Day was introduced into America by the Dutch who settled in New Amsterdam. Friends were accustomed to dropping in to offer the compliments of the day and refreshments centered around homemade snacks, plus the host's favorite concoction of punch.

The custom grew with the country, finally attaining the newspaper announcement stage, with its eventual time-table and scurrying from one "open house" to another. It was inevitable that some guests, after a succession of nine or ten punch bowls, sometimes embarrassed their tenth or eleventh hostess; and receptions sometimes were "crashed" by total strangers.

LARGE CANDLES MADE AT HOME

You can make a big, long-burning candle to fit into your Christmas decorations if you have a number of odds and ends of partly burned candles around the house. Melt them and pour into cardboard containers and remond. Use ice cream cartons, oat meal containers or others. Use plain cord for a wick. When the wax is beginning to set, tie the wick to a pencil and suspend it in the wax. Let set hard, remove carton and there is a nice candle for your table.



To all our many friends: a Merry Christmas!

JOHN E. STAMBAUGH
Coal & Oil Service
LITTLESTOWN PENNA.

And here's a Special Christmas



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

AMERICAN STORE
Littlestown, Pa.



MAY YOUR

Christmas

BE A HAPPY ONE

is the sincere wish of every member of this organization.

We are deeply appreciative of the opportunity we have had in serving you . . . and we truly hope that for each of you it may be a Happy Holiday and the New Year see the realization of your every wish.

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LITTLESTOWN, PENNA.

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It's Christmas!

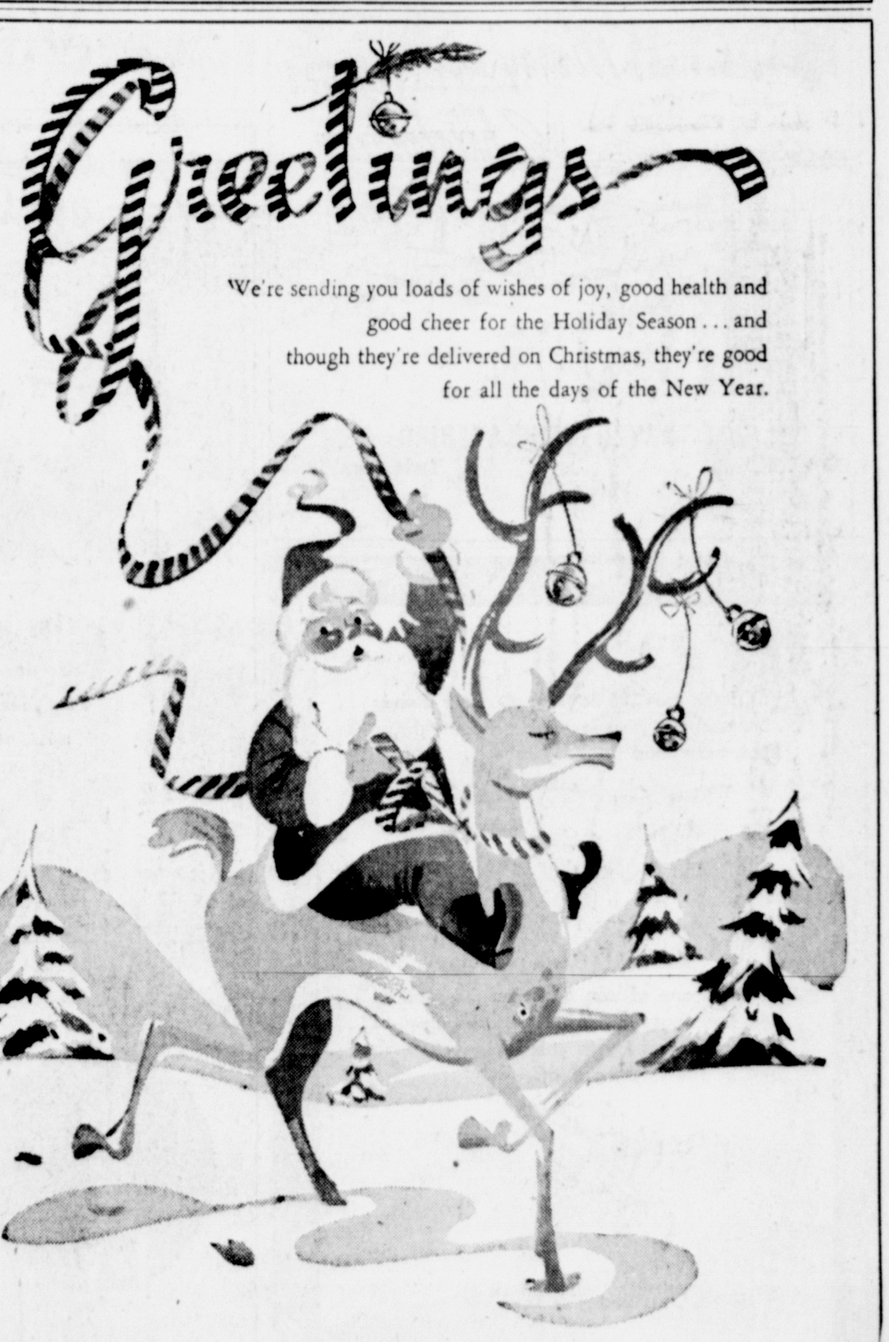
so we'll just add our good wishes, too.

GEO. M. ZERFING
LITTLESTOWN STORE
JUDGE JOE IRL



These Christmas wishes are meant for a happiness that will linger throughout the entire year. Thanks, too, for your good will and friendship in the past.

W. D. SHOEMAKER
Distributor of
SOCONY VACUUM PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
Gettysburg-Littlestown Road
Phone Bulk Plant 237-J-11 Res. 165-J



We're sending you loads of wishes of joy, good health and good cheer for the Holiday Season . . . and though they're delivered on Christmas, they're good for all the days of the New Year.

BUD BANKERT and FAMILY
and STAFF
LITTLESTOWN GETTYSBURG CASHTOWN

CELEBRATION OF NEW YEAR'S CENTURIES OLD

Man has welcomed the New Year in a giddy fashon for centuries.

It has been observed on various dates in different times and places but the manner of celebration has been virtually the same from the times of the Romans. And in America, the merry-making spirit has been a strong one since the colonial days.

"Lewd Orgies" is the way writers have described the early festivals of the Romans. The celebrations were noted for the amount of food and drink consumed.

Toasts To New Year

In colonial days in America it was the custom of younger people to visit taverns and friends to drink their health and toast the coming of 5he New Year. Some of the parties became small riots.

The custom of celebrating has grown so much that today the average American feels lost unless he has plans to "go somewhere" and "do something" on New Year's eve.

In France and Germany, the holiday is marked by festivities resembling those of this country. Before World War II, Paris and Berlin assumed a carnival atmosphere. Much of that spirit is returning as these countries recover from the economic and physical damage caused by war.

Religious Services

Mexico and the South American countries mark the new year with extensive religious service and by lay celebrations in every city, town and hamlet. All join in the merry-making which begins early and continues late

For centuries the New Year's season has beer a mixture of gaiety and solemnity; an occasion of glowing prophecy and grave stocktaking; a time for resolutions. And for people in all parts of the free world it is a time for merry-making.

True Christmas Is Found In Sharing

For a really satisfying and meaningful Christmas, share yours with the old and feeble, the ill and shut-in, the bereaved whose sorrows you might lighten.

Unfortunately all the flurry and preparation associated with Christmas are apt to make parents as well as children overlook the real significance of the coming birthday of Christ.

USE OLD TREES TO FEED BIRDS

There are a number of things you can do with your Christmas tree after New Year's besides burning it.

If it is a fir, for instance, it can be anchored in the back yard — perhaps in a corner of the garden—and used as a bird feeder the remainder of the winter. Pieces of



suet and little feed bags may be tied to the branches. A container of water should be placed beneath the tree and kept filled so the birds will have a drink every day.

Or, cut off the branches and place them, curved ends up, over flower beds when the ground is exposed. An evergreen mulch helps prevent the soil from heaving during alternate freezes and thaws. Long branches may be built into little lean-tos to protect tender shrubs from sun scald.

The needles of a Christmas tree can be sprinkled beneath acid-loving plants such as laurel, andromeds, rhododendron and blueberries.

If the needles on the tree are still firm, use the branches in an outdoor windowbox. Moisten the soil in the box. Then push the cut ends of the branches down to the bottom and tamp the soil firm around them. This will generally give you greenery all winter.

If you must burn your Christmas tree, don't toss it into a fireplace. Cut off the branches and burn them safely one by one.

And remember, a Christmas tree tossed into the street can become a fire hazard if playful children pick it up and make a bonfire of it in a vacant lot.

Norway Prepares For Xmas Early

Christmas just couldn't help being the event of events in Norway when grandmother was a girl.

Without exaggeration, preparation for Christmas actually began six months before December 24. Everything which was used — food, clothing, household furnishings — was prepared in the home. Even the leather for shoes was tanned from hides raised on the homestead.

The cloth for apparel, from the skin out, was woven on hand looms. Cobblers came to the house and made the shoes; dressmakers and tailors came. Everyone in the household had to have a new wardrobe for Christmas and, since tailors and cobblers and dressmakers could not be at all places at once, it was necessary to get an early start.

When the butchering was finished — in October or November — the suet was melted and the candles were made. The children always had a hand in making the little ones for use on the Christmas tree. And they usually made one which had three prongs which, placed at the very top of the tree, represented the three wise men.

History of Christmas Seals

When you see the Christmas seal do you ever wonder how it started?

It was born in Denmark, home of the fairy tales of Hans Christian Anderson.

Einar Holboell, a Copenhagen postal clerk, was sorting mail one snowy afternoon before Christmas, 1903, when he thought of the idea of a penny stamp to swell a fund for children's hospitals.

Authorized by King Christian, the first Christmas seals were sold in Copenhagen in 1904.

Holboell's scheme outgrew his wildest imaginings, for before his death in 1927, he lived to see it spread to 45 countries, including Korea, India and French-Indochina.

The seals found their way to America on letters and packages and first attracted the attention of Jacob Riis who wrote an article about them. Few people, however, were interested in the idea.

Then, in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a public health worker, concerned about the fate of a small sanatorium, recalled the article and sat down to sketch America's first Christmas seal, a wreath of holly encircling the words "Merry Christmas."

With 50,000 stamps printed and nowhere to sell them, Miss Bissell at last enlisted the aid of a columnist on a Philadelphia newspaper. The idea caught and within a few weeks $3,000 was collected.

The first nation-wide sale was held the following year and was backed by newspapers all over the country, religious and civic groups, and sponsored gy the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis Association.

The romances about Sinbad the Sailor are based partly on experiences of Oriental navigators in the eighth to 10th Centuries.

Shorthand was invented and practiced by the ancient Greeks and Romans.

Some animals are sensitive to light although they have no detectable eyes.

MERRY Christmas
.. and all good wishes for your health, happiness and success in the New Year.
RENNER BROS. HARDWARE
Littlestown, Pa.

GREETINGS
Happily, do we follow a wonderful old custom of wishing all our friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
WHITIE'S
S. Queen St. Littlestown, Pa.

Holiday Greetings
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS:
A bright and joyful Holiday to you all!
SONNY'S LUNCH
Littlestown, Pa.

Merry CHRISTMAS
TO EVERYONE
WEST END SERVICE
LITTLESTOWN, PA.
John Eline, Prop.
Phone 917-R-5

To our many patrons and friends, a word of thanks at the threshold of another glorious Christmas.
MILLIE'S BEAUTY SHOP
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To our friends and patrons:
May your days be filled with notes of good cheer...
YORK FUR CO.
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York's Largest Furrier

Merry Christmas
BEST WISHES TO ALL QUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS
KEYSTONE GARMENT CO. AND EMPLOYES
C. G. Wagner, Manager
GETTYSBURG, PA.

May Christmas be Long and a Merry One --- A Season You will Always Remember.
Best Wishes
HERRING'S MEAT MARKET
LITTLESTOWN, PA.

FOR the past 365 days, you ... our friends ... and the people of this vicinity have been very good to us.
EVERY one of you deserves the kind of Greeting that will bring you the Best of Happiness and Joy in This Holiday Season and in The Coming Year.
THAT'S Our Wish For You!
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JOHN J. REINDOLLAR
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Good Will Toward Men
A Merry Christmas to Each of You
Daniel L. Yingling
FARM IMPLEMENT CENTER
Gettysburg-Taneytown Road

Greetings at Christmas
Santa's smiling countenance lights up the world on this gay and festive Holiday. We join Santa in wishing one and all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
VILLAGE CHEVROLET, INC.
Littlestown, Penna.

SINCERE GOOD WISHES FOR ALL THE JOYS OF THIS HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON
MARSHMAN'S DRUG STORE
"The Rexall Store"
Littlestown Penna.

TIME TO THINK OF FRUIT CAKE

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
Associated Press Food Editor

It's not too soon to be thinking ahead to Christmas — if you have fruit-cake making in mind. This recipe for that scrumptious holiday concoction should be baked a month to six weeks before Christmas so that the cakes can mellow. This fruit cake slices best when it has been allowed to age, and it remains moist.

You will note that the recipe directs keeping the cake in a cool place while it mellows. By cool place we mean a kitchen cabient or pantry where the temperature is not included to go much beyond 70 degrees. If you do store the wrapped cakes at room temperature in this way, place them in a tightly covered tin box.

Take Two Days

However, if you can spare the refrigerator space, the wrapped cakes will mellow even better there, and they slice wonderfully well when they are cold.

Stored in either place, the cakes should be wrapped in two thicknesses of heavy waxed paper or in one thickness of alumium foil.

One more tip: Spread your fruit-cake making over two days. On one day get the dried and canned fruit and nutmeats ready and mix with a cup of flour as the recipe directs. Next day prepare the batter, mix with the floured fruit and nuts and bake the cakes.

Note that this recipe calls for thrifty, convenient, and nutritious evaporated milk—and that it makes two to four loaves. Keep one or two for the family, give one or two gaily-wrapped loaves away. Since this fruit cake is neither dark nor light, but in between, a lot of eaters will enjoy it.

Remembrance Fruit Cake

Ingredients: ¾ pound seedless raisins, ¾ pound currants, 6 ounces citron, 2 ounces candied lemon peel, ½ pound candied cheeries peel, ½ pound candied cherries, 4 ounces candied pineapple, ½ pound (about 2 cups) broken pecan or English walnut meats, 1 cup butter or margarine or shortening, 1½ cups firmly packed brown sugar, 4 eggs (separated), 1 cup evaporated milk, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 2½ cups sifted flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, ½ teaspoon salt, 1½ teaspoon mace, ½ teaspoon nutmeg.

How To Make

Method: Rinse raisins and currants in hot water; drain well. Cut cherries in quarters. Slice pineapple thin. Nuts should be coarsely chopped or broken. Mix fruit and nuts in large bowl or pan. Add 1 cup of the flour and mix until fruit and nuts are well coated. Cream butter and sugar. Beat in egg yolks. Stir lemon juice into milk and add. Shift remaining 1½ cups flour with baking powder, salt, cinnamon, cloves, all pice, mace and nutmeg. Stir into egg yolk mixture. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry and fold in. Add batter to fruit mixture. Mix and stir only until blended. Grease pans lightly and line twice with heavy waxed paper. This mixture will make either four cakes 7½x3¾x2¾ inches, or two cakes 8¾x4½x2¾ inches. Divide mixture evenly and press into pans, leveling tops. If desired, decorate top with additional pieces of candied fruits such as pineapple and cherries, and nuts. Bake in very slow (275 F.) oven until done, about 2 hours for the small cakes, or about 2½ hours for the larger cakes. (When cakes are done, they are lightly browned and tiny cracks begin to appear in the top. These cracks close when cakes cool.) Cool cakes in pans about 10 minutes, then turn out on racks and place right side up again to finish cooling. When ready to store cakes to ripen, remove waxed paper from them and rewrap either in clean waxed paper or aluminum foil. Keep in cool place until ready to use. Makes 6 pounds fruit cake.



Inflation. Santa supervises while one of his helpers inflates a doll. The benevolent old gent looks on with interest. Perhaps he is thinking inflation is not confined to economies.

The wild horse herds which roamed the great plains of the United States a generation or two ago are believed to have descended from horses first taken to America by the early Spanish explorers.

MOSLEMS, JEWS HELP PILGRIMS OBSERVE XMAS

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Holy Land, divided five years ago between Israel and Jordan, has now come to look forward to the Christmas season as the occasion for brief family reunions for a few thousand Christians who all year round are separated by a frontier between two countries that are still at war.

For the fifth year in succession the Moslem Government of Jordan and the Jewish Government of Israel have, in the spirit of Christmas, agreed to let down the barriers fo ra few days so that the Christiams of Israel may cross from the New Jerusalem into the Old City and go on from there to Bethlehem and return.

It is expected that about 5,000 Christians in Israel will take advantage of the opportunity to cross the lines and spend Christmas day with their relatives in Jordan.

Two-Way Crossings

Foreigners coming to the Holy Land during the Christmas season will be permitted to cross the lines and return via Mandelbaum Gate so that they may leave the country from the same aerodrome at which they arrived.

Up to now Christian travellers arriving in Israel were given permission to enter Jordan through Mandelbaum Gate, but were not permitted by the Jordanians to return to Israel, so that they had to leave through Syria or Egypt. And, vice versa, if they arrived in Jordan first, they were permitted to go to Isreal but not to return to Jordan.

This year two-way crossings will make the pilgrimage to Bethlehem (in Jordan) and Nazareth (in Israel) much simpler. It is hoped to increase tourist traffic in this way.

Open Bethlehem Road

The second concession is the opening of the old Bethlehem Road — a short direct route of only five miles from the New Jerusalem southward past Rachel's Tomb to the Town of the Nativity — for all members of the diplomatic corps in Jordan and in Israel.

In Israel the principal Christmas celebration will be at Nazareth where the Catholic Midnight Mass will attract pilgrims from all over Galilee. For the Protestants the centre of activities will be Jerusalem's Y.M.C.A., the million-dollar edifice directed by two Americans: J. Leslie Putnam, of Merrill, Wis., and Herbert L. Minard, of Sacramento, Calif.

Hansel And Gretel Join The Procession

The original score of "Hansel and Gretel" was composed by Englebert Humperdinck as a Christmas piece.

The musical fairy tale created a sensation. Since Humperdinck was one of Wagner's most intimate assistants, his harmonies have been dubbed "nursery rhymes — Wagnerian style" and since fairy tales and nursery rhymes are appropriate at Christmas, "Hansel and Gretel" has joined the procession of traditional Christmas music.



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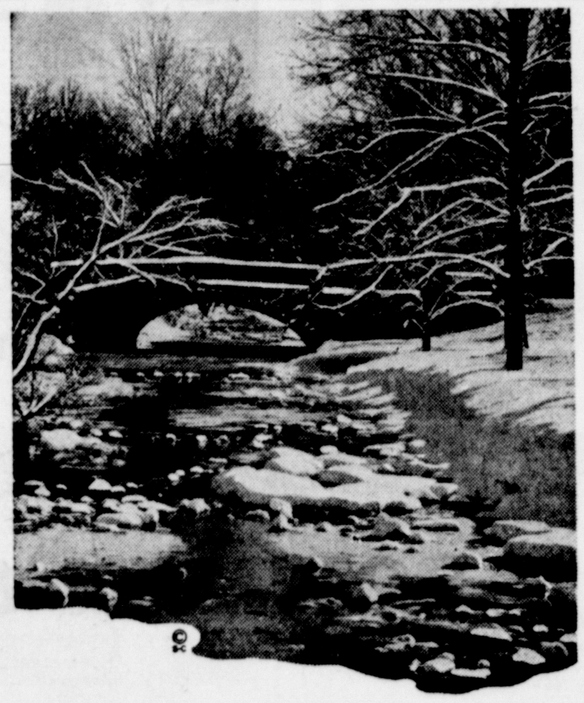
and now It's Christmas again!

Just twelve short months ago we were saying "Merry Christmas" to our friends and neighbors and now it's time once again to express our best wishes to each of you. May every joy be yours.

RUDISILL'S GULF STATION
500 YORK STREET, GETTYSBURG, PA.
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Season's Greetings

IN THE SPIRIT OF FRIENDLINESS AND GOOD CHEER, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY FAVORS AND SINCERELY WISH YOU AN OLD-FASHIONED YULETIDE

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
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HOME-OWNED COMMUNITY STORE
Gardners, Pa.

HOLIDAY CHEER



May this Holiday Season bring you much happiness, health, and good fortune.

Albert J. Lentz Post No. 202
AMERICAN LEGION
GETTYSBURG, PA.

Mistletoe Brings Good Luck Old Superstition Declares

Very few people don't know what a spring of mistletoe means at Christmas time — especially when there's a pretty girl standing beneath it! But few people realize that this very pleasant custom has its root on age-old superstitions.

The lore of primitive days contains many references to mistletoe.

According to an ancient Norse legend, the sun god was slain by an arrow fashioned from the mistletoe plant. He was resurrected by his mother's tears which, falling upon the plant, were crystallized into pearly berries. Because of this magical healing, it was ordained that mistletoe should grow neither on heaven nor earth, but suspended be tween. That is the reason, runs the legend, that mistletoe is found growing on trees.

Powers Of Healing

Mistletoe was of special significance to the Druids, ancient pagan priests of England, who cut it off trees with a golden knife used only for that purpose. They believed it possessed wonderful powers of healing and acted as a protection from witchcraft. During the December religious rites, it was bestowed upon individuals as a special mark of honor.

Because of its supposed salutary properties, mistletoe was often hung over the doors of primitive houses as a sign of good-will. Belief in magic has disappeared, but this custom still remains. And a kiss under the mistletoe still has beneficent effects. Try it and see for yourself!

Yule Tree Business Figured In Millions

Christmas trees are a multi-million dollar business. Throughout the nation, some 15 million trees are supplied to the holiday demand. Prices range from $1 to $5, and that adds up to real money.

A Christmas tree, in the lake states, is usually a balsam or a spruce. The same is true in New England and the Appalachian section. Elsewhere in the country, virtually all kinds of evergreens are used.

The lodgepole pine and Douglas fir are frequently used in Colorado.



No rain, dear. This young lady makes a pretty picture down in sunny Florida on Christmas eve as she poses with Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer. Although Florida lacks snow it makes up for it in other beauties.

On the Pacific coast, it is principally Douglas fir.

In Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C., a scrub pine takes a trimming.

In other localities, white pine, southern pine, hemlock, red and white cedar and redwood are used.

The business of harvesting this annual crop begins in the fall, when cutters go into the woods after trees. It continues as truckers bring huge loads to metropolitan markets.

In most cases, Christmas tree harvests are actually a part of good forest management.

Many land owners manage their swamps to make them yield a crop of trees year after year. Thinning operations are another source of Yule trees.

Farmers have discovered that they can get a cash crop from eroded acres by harvesting Christmas trees 10 to 15 years after they are planted.

Italy Claims Grave Of St. Nicholas

Santa Claus, otherwise St. Nicholas, otherwise the one-time bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, is buried in Bari, Italy. His body was stolen from its original tomb in Myra and swiftly borne to Bari by Italian sailors, who thought back in 1087 that a saint's body brought prosperity and good luck to your town.

St. Nicholas, who was tortured and imprisoned for his faith during the reign of Emperor Diocletian, found no rest in his first tomb at Myra. Always some expedition was attempting to remove his remains.

However, once buried again in Bari, the saint's body was credited with curing 30 people of distemper and performing other miracles. So Bari became a place of pilgrimage, and the legends about St. Nicholas multiplied apace.

We owe our notion of Santa Claus as a secret dispenser of gifts to a story that St. Nicholas once saved three girls from a life of prostitution by throwing purses of gold through a window in Patara, thus permitting a poverty stricken nobleman to give his daughters suitable dowries as custom demanded.

In addition, St. Nicholas was credited with restoring life to some boys who had been slain and dismembered by a wicked innkeeper of Myra — hence the occasional stained glass windows in which the saint is shown beside three lads in a tub. There were many other stories about St. Nicholas, who became San Nicolaas in the dialect of the New York Dutch.

New Year's Gifts Were Once Sacred

The Druids distributed branches of the sacred mistletoe, cut with peculiar ceremonies, as new year's gifts to the people and the Saxons observed the day with gifts and festivals.

The Roman custom of making gifts to the emperor was introduced into England as early as the time of Henry III and Queen Elizabeth is supposed to have supplied herself with her jewels and wardrobe almost entirely from these gifts.

As late as 1692 the English nobility were accustomed every year to send to the King a purse with gold in it.

Under the Tudors and the Stuarts it was the habit of all classes to give presents to friends with the wish that the New Year might be happy.

Ladies received presents of gloves or pins, which were then expensive. Sometimes the gifts were compounded in money and from this practice we have the term "pin money."

SAYS CHILDREN NEED TO KNOW SANTA LEGEND

"Children enjoy Santa Claus more when they know what he really is," Duke University psychologist Dr. Gelolo McHugh says.

"No one enjoys finding out that he has been kept in the dark," says the specialist in child psychology, "and children are no exception." The real meaning of Santa Claus is the joy of giving to make others happy, says Dr. McHugh, and no child should be deprived of this privilege.

Trouble Later

Later parents have the difficult job of explaining that there is no jolly old Christmas man, Dr. McHugh points out. When the truth comes out the parent has placed himself in the position of being responsible for Santa's disappearance.

Santa should be a part of Christmas, however, Dr. McHugh belives, but from the very beginning, he should be treated as a wonderful pretend game. This method has proved successful with many children, the specialist says, including his own two young boys.

Children, who love to make-believe, are perfectly capable of enjoying Santa, reindeer, chimneys and all, while knowing in their hearts, when they stop to ask themselves, that he is a pretend person, he says.

The Real Santa

The child who takes part in the Santa game doesn't have to wonder on Christmas morning why Santa didn't like him well enough to bring the expensive toys that were ordered from the North Pole, the psychologist points out.

The young Indianapolis mother who recently wrote a Christmas letter for her 5-year-old son just before her death in an airplane crash, had wonderful understanding, Dr. McHugh says. She ended her letter by telling her little son that "anyone who lives and gives is real Santa."

Tournament of Roses

Pasadena's world famous Tournamen tof Roses started out in 1886 as an informal procession of carriages bedecked with the blossoms at hand and driven over a prearranged route.

The idea was the brain-child of Charles Frederick Holder who, as the new zoology teacher from the east, was impressed by the abundance and beauty of flowers blooming in mid - winter. Mr. Hunter's suggestion that the Valley Hunt club of Pasadena sponsor an informal display thereof was received enthusiastically and New Year's Day was selected as appropriate and convenient.

So, what developed into the Tournament of Roses began as "an informal procession of carriages" on January 1, 1886. It was such a success that preparations and formalities increased. Floral floats made their debut and the order of the day — the parade, competitive sports, climaxed by the grand ball in the evening — was established.

Dedicated in 1923, the orginal seating capacity of the Rose Bowl Stadium (85,000) exceeded the total permanent population of Pasadena and recent enlargement permitted a paid attendance of 100,234 for the football classic January 1, 1950.

Likewise, the Tournament of Roses has attained world renown as a floral festival, with literally millions of blossoms bedecking an ever-increasing number of floats, annually thrilling hundreds of thousands of spectators along a parade route seven miles long.

Contrary to popular belief, tall buildings do not sway very much in high winds, the Empire State Building in New York City deviating from the vertical only about 1.45 inches in a 100-mile-per-hour wind which blows for two or more hours.

Merry Christmas

May this old fashioned Greeting convey our -SINCERE APPRECIATION Of your good will and patronage and our every wish for a most happy and prosperous New Year.

Lehman's Cash Feed Store
YORK SPRINGS, PA.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

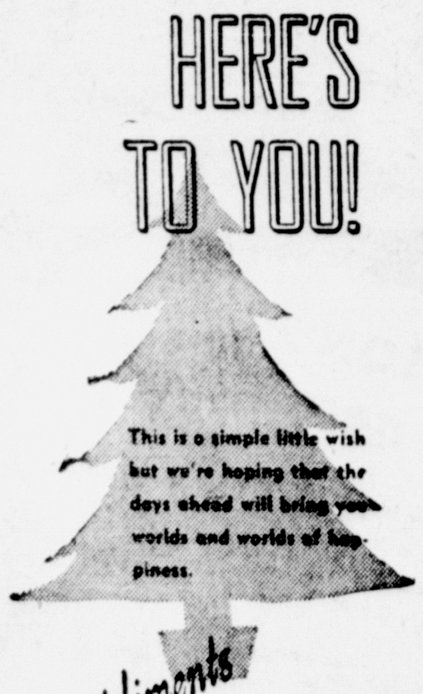
Best Christmas Wishes



May your every wish for the Holiday Season be realized -- that's our wish for you.

BAUGHMAN'S BOYS' & STUDENTS' WEAR
134 N. HANOVER ST. — CARLISLE, PA.

HERE'S TO YOU!



This is a simple little wish but we're hoping that the days ahead will bring you worlds and worlds of happiness.

Compliments OF THE SEASON TO EACH OF YOU

From the Folks at
EARLEY'S
L. W. Burkholder CARLISLE, PA. G. H. Kutz

SECURE in the faith and confidence that He doeth all things well, let us put forth our finest efforts, with His guidance and blessings to assure "Peace on Earth — Good Will Toward Men."



TEEN-AGE SHOP
12 E. HIGH ST., CARLISLE, PA.
Mrs. Everett Sillers

MAY WE WISH YOU
A JOYOUS YULETIDE
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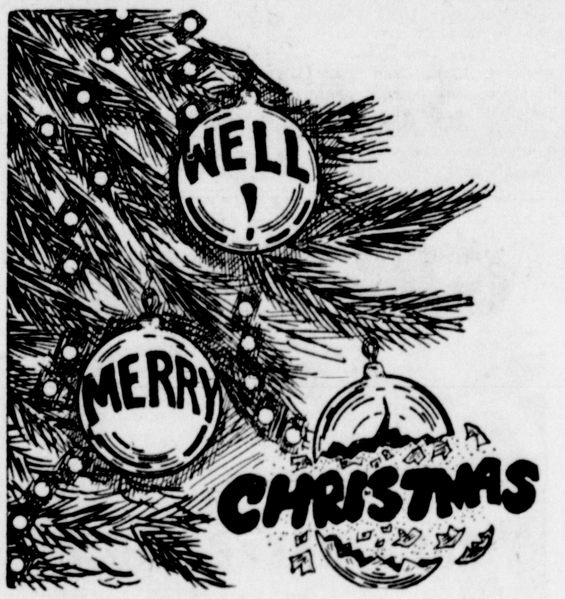


It's been a good year, and a happy one and we're glad that we have the opportunity to extend good wishes.



BOWMAN & CO.
ALBERT WATSON, Prop. CARLISLE, PA.

Merry Christmas



PETERMAN FARM EQUIPMENT
CARLISLE, PA.
R. W. Peterman

Merry Christmas



DITZLER'S
YORK SPRINGS, PA.

With best wishes for CHRISTMAS

ISRAEL'S Inc.
MEN'S WEAR AND BOYS' WEAR
Carlisle, Pa.

GREETINGS TODAY the joys of the Season be an every-day possession for the whole year, is our wish

CARLISLE APPLIANCE CENTER
CARLISLE, PA.

ONE of the real joys of Christmas is the opportunity to put aside the routine of every day business and with genuine sincerity, wish our customers A Merry Christmas

Cochran & Allen, Inc.
HARDWARE
22-24 SOUTH HANOVER ST. ★ CARLISLE

EDITORS VOTE BRITISH QUEEN TOP NEWSMAKER

By The Associated Press

Queen Elizabeth is the outstanding woman newsmaker of 1952, according to the combined vote of managing editors of Associated Press newspapers.

But it is interesting to note that the women editors' poll alone was two-to-one for Mamie Eisenhower as "Woman of the Year," while men editors voted almost four-to-one for England's young Queen. This divergence of masculine and feminine opinion perhaps is explained by the note attached to her vote by Mary Ann Callan women's editor of the Los Angeles Times, who wrote:

"If I were to select the outstanding woman of the year it would be Mamie Eisenhower, the personification of naturalness and sincerity — the kind of person most American women want most to be."

Men editors, on the other hand, undoubtedly were looking ahead to the tremendous news impact of the coming Coronation, in evaluating the news scope of Queen Elizabeth.

Other women voted outstanding in their fields for 1952 are:

Sports And Politics

Politics: Oveta Culp Hobby, wartime head of the WACS, recently named Federal Security Administrator in the new administration. Mrs. Hobby, an effective campaigner for General Eisenhower during the campaign, is co-publisher of the Houston (Tex.) Post.

Sports: Maureen Connolly, "Little Mo," the similing youngster from San Diego, who at 18 holds most of the existing women's Amateur Tennis titles and is called the world's greatest woman tennis star. She won her second straight national singles crown this year, while still 17, and made a clean sweep in her first international competition, taking two Wightman Cups, the Wimbledon crown and victories in singles, doubles and mixed doubles in the Irish matches.

Movies: Marilyn Monroe, Hollywood's new heartthrob, the curvaceous blonde who rivals the earlier sensational appeal of such stars as Jean Harlow and Clara Bow, "It" girl of the jazz age.

Radio And TV

Radio and TV: Martha Rountree, whose success as a producer and moderator of television news panel shows has made her a familiar figure in U. S. living rooms. During this year's political campaigns, Martha's ability to round up the hottest news figures of each week gave her programs some of the biggest audiences in TV history.

Stage: Helen Hayes, whose triumph in Mary Chase's new Broadway hit, "Mrs. McThing," is considered by many one of her greatest acheivements. Westerners had a chance to see the famous star when the Broadway performance moved to Central City, Colo., for the month of August. Miss Hayes at present is preparing for a coast-to-coast tour.

Business: Vivien Kellems, rugged individualist of Stonington, Conn., whose summer TV program, "The Power of Women," was a smash hit.

Other Fields Covered

Education: Dr. Millicent McIntosh, who was advanced from dean to president of Barnard College this year. Dr. McIntosh also was named first woman trustee of the American Museum of Natural History, and in 1951 was made the first woman director of the Home Life Insurance Co. Her husband is Dr. Rustin McIntosh, noted pediatrician and head of Babies Hospital of Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in New York. They have five children: twin boys, 18, now sophomores at Harvard; one daughter, Susan, 17, a freshman at Cornell University; and two sons aged 15 and 13, in prep school.

Music: Rosemary Clooney, whose wildfire success as a "disc" singer of popular songs has made her the teen-agers' ideal. Her "Come on-a My House" is one of her best-known recordings, equalled in popularity be her two recent ones, "Half as Much" and "Botch-a-Me." Rosemary also is busy making movies in Hollywood.

Literature: Rachel Carson, author of last year's best-selling "The Sea Around Us," whose earlier book, "Under the Sea Wind," was republished in 1952.



Dress him up for Christmas in the kind of brightly patterned, comfortable sport shirt he favors. The sport shirt he is trying on is a new "insulated" type made with an outer layer of plaid wool and an inner layer of lightweight cotton flannel.



Time out. Santa Claus pauses in his Christmas Eve visits sometimes to pick up a hot dog and ice cream cone at an all-night hamburger stand.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

ROY R. HANKEY & SON

R. 5, Gettysburg, Pa.

Closing Wednesday, Dec. 24, at 3:30 P.M.

Open Thurs., Dec. 25, 4 P.M. to 8 P.M. For Your Convenience

To Wish You a . . .

Merry Christmas

CASHTOWN GARAGE

Daniel S. Mickley, Prop.



BRINGING yor greetings for a most pleasant and happy Christmas

SAM'S RADIO & TV SALES & SERVICE

Littlestown, Penna.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

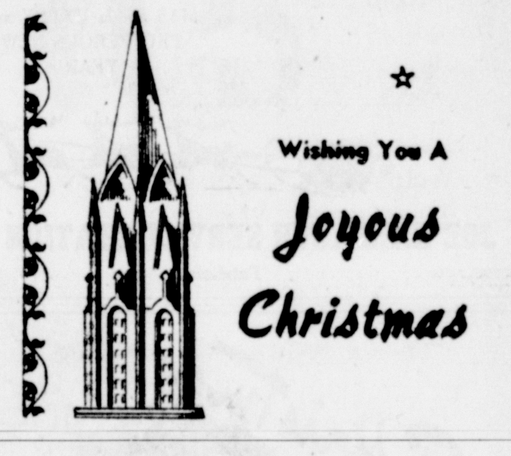
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R. CAROLINE BUCHER

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Member Home Owned Community Pure Food Stores

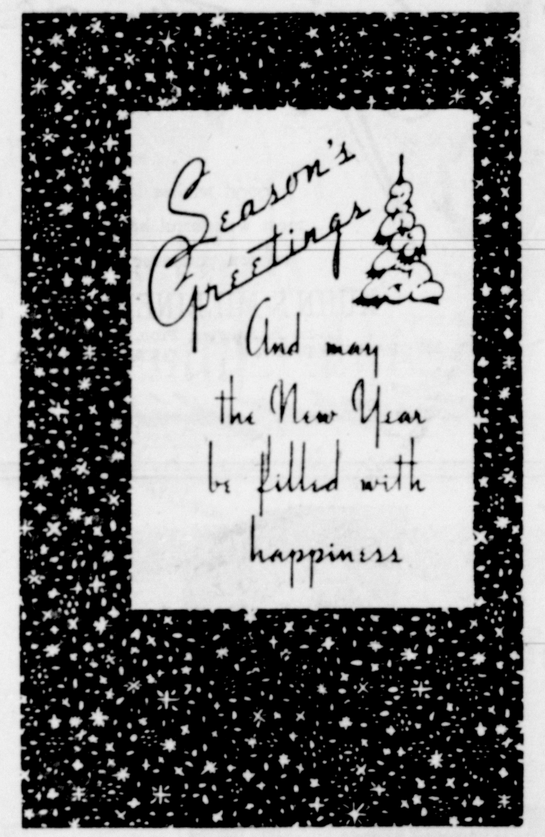
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Wishing You A Joyous Christmas

THE LITTLESTOWN HARDWARE AND FOUNDRY CO., INC.

Littlestown, Penna.



Season's Greetings And may the New Year be filled with happiness

THE JOHN C. LOWER CO., INC.

Wholesale Grocers

GETTYSBURG, PA.



It's our pleasure to wish you one of the jolliest Yuletides you've ever known.

RED ROCK POULTRY FARM

R. 1, Biglerville

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Staub

And all Good wishes for CHRISTMAS

F. L. GROFT ELECTRIC SERVICE

123 West Middle St. Gettysburg, Pa.



The Season's Greetings

May your Yuletide happiness be as bright as the glittering decorations and ornaments on your Christmas Tree!

THE Maternity SHOP

352 W. MARKET ST. YORK, PA.

phone 43-525

HELLO

It's Christmas Again

and time for us to express our greetings of the Season and to once more say "Thank You"

JOHN I. HERETER & SON

Gettysburg, Pa.

GREETINGS of the season

Our Holiday Greetings to our friends come straight from the heart...simple and with no false frills. May you enjoy a truly Merry Chrismas and a very Joyous New Year.

FROM MERLE, FRED AND GLENN OF

HANKEY'S GROCERY

201 South Washington Street

GETTYSBURG, PA.



A Joyous Holiday to All

ADAMS CO. FARM BUREAU CO-OP. ASSN.

Gettysburg New Oxford

The Beauty of Christmas...

lies in the thought that we live in the memory of our friends —

Season's Greetings to All



COFFMAN-FISHER CO.

DEPARTMENT STORE

Lincoln Square



MAY THE SOFT GLOW OF CHRISTMAS CANDLES

bring you a comforting peacefulness that will remain with you always.

CHAMPION SHOE REPAIR SHOP

Thomas George

CHAMBERSBURG ST. GETTYSBURG, PA.

GOOD WISHES

THIS Christmas AND ALWAYS

THE EXCHANGE CLUB of GETTYSBURG

LORD MISRULE TUDOR CUSTOM

A different playtime observance for your Christmas festivities is is the game "Lord of Misrule."

When your guests have all arrived and have been greeted by the music of the minstrels and the song of the carolers, it is time for the most honored guest of the evening to arrive. With much fanfare the "Lord of Misrule" is announced. He enters with great pomp and ceremony and takes his place as the master of ceremonies for the evening.

The Lord of Misrule comes to us from the Tudor courts where he was elected annually to reign over the Christmas festivities. His word, during the festivities, was law, and the ridiculous commands he laid upon the guests had to be obeyed. The introduction of the Lord of Misrule into our festivities offers an unusual method for introducing the many games with forfeits which are traditional for Christmas.

At your party, the Lord of Misrule will command each guest to do his bidding. He may call for singing, dancing, pantomime, imitations and stunts of all kinds. Failure to do the bidding of the Lord of Misrule results in the payment of a forfeit. And here another unusual note may be injected. The forfeit, instead of being paid to the Lord of Misrule, may be paid to another Christmas character, the "hodening horse."

It was the custom in Kent, England, for young men to go from house to house with the hodening horse, and imitation of a horse's head attached to a long stick. Two lads, forming the body of the horse, were hidden from view by a covering of cloth resembling horse's skin. The hodening horse was accompanied by paraders who rang the bells throughout the town and begged for money or food.



Snowmen for you. Your local lumber dealer may have patterns for these plywood and hardboard "snowmen" which you can make yourself. If not, use this picture for a pattern and go to work.

SANTA ASSUMES VARIOUS FORMS

In America it is always Santa Claus, dashing from rooftop to rooftop in his sleigh, that brings Christmas gifts to the children. But it is not always Santa who brings the gifts to children in other lands.

In Holland it is St. Nicholas, dressed in bishop's robes of black, wearing a mitre and carrying the crozier. And he arrives on a white horse.

English children look for a Santa Claus who closely resembles our own and gifts are tied to Christmas trees.



In Finland, Santa has elves who passes out gifts for him.

In Italy there is no Santa Claus. Instead, they have a beneficent old witch, Befona, who sails through the air on a broom stick on Christmas Eve.

Brazil has Papa Noel, very much like Santa. He wears a red suit and travels in a sleigh drawn by reindeer. However, he enters the house through a window instead of the chimney.

Spanish children place their straw-filled sleeves on the window sills so that the Magi may feed their horses while they leave gifts. The older people fill an Urn of Fate from which the gifts are drawn on Christmas Day.

In may other parts of the world Santa is not known, but many people exchange gifts nevertheless at Christmas time.



Christmas feast. The toys have been opened and church services are over. Now, it's time for that Christmas feast and a turkey drumstick.

Poinsettia Will Bloom Next Xmas

The poinsettia has long been a popular Christmas plant but probably few people have given much thought to the fact that it does come into bloom each year only at this season.

The poinsettia is one of a group of plants known as short day plants because it will bloom only in the season of the year with short day length periods, preferably 10 hours or less. That is why it is always in bloom during the Christmas season and not during the summer. It could be prevented from blooming now by lengthening the daylight period to 15 hours by means of artificial lights.

Flower growers have learned how to bring garden chrysanthemums into bloom any month of the year by using shading cloth to shorten the days and artificial lights to lengthen the days. The chrysanthemum is also a short day plant.

How can one keep a poinsettia plant until next season? After its usefulness is over, place it in the basement or some dry place where it will not freeze. Do not water it, or at least very little, and let the soil dry up. Next May bring the plant out, cut the stem back about two thirds, wash the old soil off the roots and re-pot in new soil. From then on handle it like any other pot plant. Softwood cuttings taken in July and rooted will give you good Christmas bloom.

A piece of cut apple placed on top of a small square of waxed paper in your container of brown sugar will keep the sugar moist. Have the container tightly covered and change the apple often, because it will grow moldy.

Always wipe off the top of a can of food with a clean cloth before opening it.



GREETINGS

of the Season

from . . .

With keen appreciation of your good will and patronage and all good wishes for a CHEERY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



JOE HARBAUGH SERVICE STATION
Fairfield



SHAFFER'S
Ice Cream Parlor
Walter G. Shaffer
168 Carlisle St., Gettysburg



SEASON'S BEST WISHES

May the happiness of this day be maintained each day of the approaching year. And a hearty 'thank you' for your loyal support in the past.

KEMPER'S SERVICE STATION
H. L. Kemper, Prop.
Heidlersburg — Gettysburg R. 4, Pa.



The best wish of all is for your Merry Christmas.

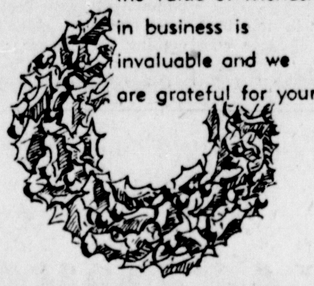
Raymond M. Bixler
MANUFACTURING JEWELER
715 West Market Street, York, Pa.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the glad cheer of Christmas with its spirit of wonderful warmth remain as a precious token for all our friends, throughout the New Year.

SHETTER HOUSE
Cloyd Shetter, Proprietor
48 Chambersburg Street
GETTYSBURG, PA.

We have found that the value of friendships in business is invaluable and we are grateful for yours



A JOYOUS SEASON TO YOU

"If It's SIGNS, See Mac!"
CALL 20-Y OR 281-X



. . . . and all good wishes for the most wonderful holiday season you ever had!

KUHN'S MILLINERY
Rose B. Sanders, Prop.
130 CHAMBERSBURG ST. GETTYSBURG, PA.

Christmas GREETINGS

THE LINGERIE SHOP
19 SO. BEAVER ST. — YORK, PA.
Marie M. Strickhouser



Each day of the year we are grateful for your fine friendship and patronage but as Christmas day grows closer, we just want to pause and say "Thank You." We truly appreciate your confidence and good will.

That your holiday season will afford you every happiness is our whole-hearted wish for you.

HETRICK'S
SERVICE CENTER
100 YORK ST., GETTYSBURG, PA.
Ph. 570 Stuart L. Heatrick



To express our appreciation of long-established friendships is our greatest privilege at Christmas. We take pleasure in wishing you, our many loyal customers, all the happiness you have brought to us through the years. May your holiday be a merry one, laden with the blessings of the season.

CATHERINE L. UTZ, *Manager*

THOMPSON'S
GETTYSBURG YORK

Nativity Festival Observed By Romans; American Customs Are Changed Little By Years

Has Christmas changed in the manner in which it is observed in so-called modern times from the festivals of 50 or 100 years ago? Not in its essentials, at least, according to the memories of oldsters or the printed records.

The carols sung today, the impressive liturgical observances in many of the churches, the custom of decking the home, the business place and the house of worship, in holiday greens — all are little changed in a century or more.

Neither are the greetings, "Merry Christmas," or "Happy New Year," and of course Santa Claus has been coming over the rooftops each Christmas Eve beyond the memory of man. To the youngster, at least, two of the inseparable symbols of Christmas are Santa and the Christmas Tree.

Old Customs Prevail

These pines and hemlocks and cedars that sparkle by day with tinsel and gleam with lights by night are as much a part of the Christmas season as the exchange of gifts, the singing of Christmas carols and the services in the churches.

The Christmas Tree to hundreds of Gettysburg children and to grownups too, is, in fact, "Christmas," for it is usually around the tree that gifts are placed, and carols often sung, and Christmas trees are used effectively in nearly all church decorations.

The observance of Christmas, in one way or another, goes back into antiquity. The institution of the Christmas festival may have originated as early as 138-161 A.D. but the first certain traces are not found until about 180-192 A.D. There was no uniformity in the period of observing the Nativity among the early churches; some held the festival in the spring others in January, with the Feast of the Epiphany.

Held Yule Feast

Christmas, from the fifth to the eighth centuries, gathered around it other festivals, partly old and partly new. Not casually or arbitrarily was the festival of the Nativity celebrated on December 25. One of the principal causes was that almost all nations regarded the winter solstice as the turning point of the year, the beginning of the renewed life and activity of the powers of nature.

At the winter solstice the Norsemen held their Yule feast in commemoration of the fiery sun-wheel. Many of the usages of the Germans and the Romans were adapted from heathenism to Christianity, but the church sought to combat and banish the deep-rooted heathen feeling by adding its grandly devised liturgy, besides dramatic representations of the birth of Christ.

Hence sprang the "manger songs" and a multitude of Christmas carols as well as Christmas dramas. The Christmas tree is traceable to the Roman Saturnalia, and was probably first imported into Germany with the conquering legions of Drusus. The Christmas tree with its pendent toys and mannikins is portrayed by Vergil.

Started In Rome

Christmas was first celebrated on its present date in Rome about 350 A.D. It made its way to Germany, and to England, and from these countries was brought to America by early settlers.

Fifty years ago a half dollar would buy a good-sized Christmas tree, and some could be purchased for less. Hundreds of persons, particularly in rural areas, went into the woods and cut their own. Today the supplying of Christmas trees for the Yuletide season is "Big Business." Millions of trees are cut each year, bundled and hauled to the large centers by freight car and truck. Others are cut nearer home. Relatively few persons cut their own any more.

Nowadays many families "put up the tree" many days before Christmas, but it was the well-setablished custom 50 years ago to wait until Christmas Eve, when a virtual ceremony was made of placing the tree and decorating it. Sometimes the children were allowed to help, particularly the older ones, but once trimmed, the "parlor" doors were closed, and the children got no further glimpse of the tree until Christmas morning. Pop and Mom placed the gifts around the tree while the youngsters slept, and "visions of sugar plums danced in their heads."

String Popcorn For Tree

Decorating the tree was different then in other ways. Fewer of the decorations came from a store counter. There were, of course, colored balls, small figures of Santa Claus, strings of tinsel, little fragile glass birds and candle holders purchased for the tree. But the real fun of decorating seemed to come in popping corn and stringing it; in making chains of colored paper; in festooning the tree with strings of raisins.

Figures of angels were made from paper or cotton. Sticks of peppermint or birch candy in gay stripes were used. Paper cornucopias were put together and filled with "clear toys," amber, red, green and white candy, and with raisins, cookies or oranges. The 1902 counterpart of a "Raggedy Ann" doll, often called then "Betts Ann," was hung on a pine bough. Mother made gingerbread men, with raisins for eyes and these were hung on the tree.

And of course the tree had to be lighted, sometimes with disastrous results, for the lights in those days were not strings of electric bulbs in red, green, yellow, blue or white. They were small candles, in holders which clipped onto the branches. Everyone had to be warned, because the flickering flames from the candles could, and often did, ignite the dry pine needles.

Fifty years ago Christmas trees were placed out of doors as well as inside, and were decorated much as they are today, except for the lights made possible by electricity. Stores remained open evenings then as now during the holiday rush. The sound of sleighbells was melodious on the evening air, a much more tuneful sound than the exhausts of trucks and automobiles.

Only within the last two decades has Christmas lighting and decorating been adopted to public displays such as now grace the principal business streets in Gettysburg and most other cities.

Here's a delicious accompaniment to broiled chicken and curried rice. Brush pineapple slices with butter or margarine, sprinkle with sugar, and heat under the broiler as the chicken is getting done.



Fanfare for '53. A pretty television dancer welcomes the New Year, personified by the custom-built snowman. Show people expect a big year during 1953.



Prayer. "O come let us adore him," these children pray on Christmas eve. Their prayer is the true and greatest gift of all.

Bringing best wishes

From One Friend to Another

FAIRFIELD CUT-RATE

FAIRFIELD, PA.

Ruth & Curly Haines

MERRY Christmas

As we express best wishes to our host of friends in this community we are fully conscious of our obligations to merit your confidence. Our efforts to serve you will continue to be our very best.

We extend to you heartiest good wishes for a Merry Christmas.

M. J. SMITH

Frigidaire Sales And Service — Plumbing And Heating

ROUTE 5 (BONNEAUVILLE) GETTYSBURG, PA.

Merry Christmas Greetings

Sincere Good Wishes

Waltersdorf FURNITURE COMPANY, Inc.

219 Baltimore Street Hanover, Pa.

Season's Greetings

We want our best wishes to be as traditional as the old time Holly Wreath at Christmas

May the Season be one of many joyful surprises, and happy associations with loved ones and friends, and, too, we want to say many thanks as well as Merry Christmas.

GETTYSBURG FURNITURE COMPANIES

S. RICHARD LEMBERG, GENERAL MANAGER

Christmas Was Joyous Despite "Hard Times" Of 75 Years Ago, Files Of Old Newspapers Show

Christmas, three quarters of a century ago, was filled with toys and gifts, joy and visitations, judging by the files of the Compiler and Star and Sentinel of 1877.

Everything was perfect, as always for Christmas. Times were hard, so the news articles and advertisements said, but the people seemed to forget the economic depression in the joy of the season.

And they dreamed of white Christmases" 75 years ago as well, judging by the news accounts. The Star and Sentinel editor wrote: "Next year when snow covers the ground we will have forgotten that in the closing week of 1877 farmers were breaking up sod and planting corn, grass was still green and growing; the turf was starred with dandelions in bloom; leaf buds were expanding on the trees; and summer insects were buzzing merrily in the sun."

The editor added that the only persons unhappy about the weather were those who feared the next year's fruit prospects would be destroyed because of the unseasonable, warm weather.

Money Was "Scarce"

"Time are hard and money scarce" said the advertisements in the Gettysburg papers extolling such bargains are French candy from 16 cents to $1 a pound, clear toys at 25 cents. J. M. Minnigh advertised that he had "the largest and cheapest assortment of toys ever displayed in Gettysburg."

Buehler and Co's Drugs and Book Store said in the usual two line advertisements of the day, "Christmas Presents — If you want to make a gift you can find what you want at Buehler and Co's."



Our brief candle. Primitive man who discovered fire couldn't look at it more awe stricken than this little tot as she watches the last hours of 1952 flicker away and waits to greet the New Year.

Oranges and lemons, a Christmas delicacy three quarters of a century ago, were advertised by a number of stores, each of which assured its potential customers that it had by far the best assortment in town.

Two advertisements in the Compiler, one appearing immediately after the other, gave indications of a sad story that sometimes happens at Christmas.

The first advertisement stated: "Carmels and Taffies at E. H. Minnigh's".

Equally brief was the next ad: Clarke's Tooth Ache Drops Cure Instantly."

Other advertisements noted "Attractive Christmas Gifts are imitation Ivory Types neatly executed from old photographs by Miss Grace C. Harper," and "Twenty-five styles of cards, 10 cents; 25 New Year cards, 20 cents; 50 large mixed cards only 13 cents."

Pastors Remembered

But the commercial, as is the custom of today, was mixed with the human and the real meaning of Christmas. A story in the Star and Sentinal related: "The people of St. James Church, young and old, had a good time on Monday evening last, Christmas Eve. A beautiful and impressive service was held by the Sunday School, teachers, officers and children. In the altar, in front of the pulpit, stood a magnificent Christmas tree laden with good things for the little ones."

The story then related how the children went to the tree to take from it their gifts that had been the tree's decorations, and how the teachers and adults enjoyed their ice cream and cake.

The story continued: "On the evening of Christmas Day Dr. Steck and family found the parsonage surrounded." It relates how the pastor and his wife threw open the doors and the parishioners and friends of the pastor came trooping in to present gifts of chickens, turkeys and other foods, and to spend two hours in a "social".

Adams County seemed to have a Christmas custom 75 years ago that was unknown in other sections of the country, that of having the parishioners call upon their pastor on Christmas eve or Christmas day to give presents to the pastor and his wife and "visit" in the spirit of the occasion. At least the Rev. R. L. Armstrong, pastor of the Bendersville M. E. Church was moved to write the editor of the Star and Sentinel to tell of moving recently into the borough.



Allergic to whiskers. Not all little boys who love Santa Claus this time of year have a sublime trust in the old gent This young man obviously wishes he were somewhere else.

He had been the recipient of many favors from the people of Bendersville, the pastor wrote, "But on Christmas Eve the surprize was great when we found our parsonage filled with people, each having some of the good things of this life for us." The pastor concluded, "May the Good Master reward them abundantly." The Bendersville preacher was so taken by the Christmas Eve demonstration that he sat down on Christmas Day to write the letter of public thanks to the editor of the paper.

Fifty years ago, in 1902, the Alleman store was advertising "Holiday Goods in abundance." For "the boys we have skates, games, carts, knives, toys, rifles, footballs, wagons etc. 'For the Girls, ping pong sets, pretty china dishes, crokinole boards, jardineres, silver novelties, brass goods, canary birds and elegant vases." An important Christmas accessory for the housewife was a "Never Burn Roaster", said Alleman's in their ad, "The latest improved and finest on the market, we have them in two sizes, either one large enough for a nice turkey. Prices 65 and 75 cents.

Fireman Want Telephone

Incidentally people were busy

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

And Sincere Wishes for your Happiness and Prosperity



STANLEY R. SELL
BROKER
REAL ESTATE — FARMS — HOMES
Phone 20-J Littlestown, Pa.



HENRY W. CRUM & SON
Bendersville, Pa.



It is our sincere wish that all the exciting joy and pleasant surprises of Christmas morning live with you every day of a Happy New Year.

E. D. BUSHMAN
Arendtsville, Pa.



We'll not remind you it's Christmas . . . no need for that. But we will remind you that your friendship and patronage for this firm are both truly appreciated.

Merry Christmas All!

West's Farm Agency
John C. Bream & Son
Associates
FAIRFIELD RD., GETTYSBURG, PA. Phone 68-Y

Joy at CHRISTMAS



May the joy and faith of Christmas guide you into paths that lead to a happy and prosperous New Year.

TOPPER'S SERVICE STATION
LINCOLN AVENUE AND HARRISBURG ROAD
Gettysburg — Phone 663-X
Chester R. Topper



ROY H. HECKENLUBER
Summit Poultry Farm, Biglerville

The Season's Greetings



AND ALL GOOD WISHES

B. G. WALTER
BIGLERVILLE GARAGE
Biglerville, Pa.

Christmas



Sincere good wishes for the Christmas Season and for every day in the coming year

MILL-TO-HOME SHOPS, Inc.
G. J. Descheemaker, Mgr.
RIDGE AVENUE HANOVER, PA.

Christmas

CHRISTMAS is one of those rare occasions when our thoughts turn from the more material things of life to the nobler, more beautiful ones . . . to our loved ones and friends . . . to doing for others.

THE SPIRIT of Christmas is eternal and it is gratifying to know that we can find peace and contentment in observing the birth of the King of Kings.

COLUMBIA JEWELRY CO.
Jewelry of Distinction
Our Gettysburg Representative
Mr. A. H. Wolf
Center Square and Broadway HANOVER, PA.



Greetings Friends

There's no limit to all the cheer we wish for you at Christmas

Hanover's Oldest Electrical and Radio Store
E. J. J. GOBRECHT
120 E. CHESTNUT STREET HANOVER, PA.
Phone 9129

A JOYOUS SEASON



With its message of hope and peace, the Christmas star shines again. May the joy in its radiant light be reflected in your heart throughout the New Year.

D. H. SHARRER & SON
ORRTANNA HAMPTON
NEW CHESTER LITTLESTOWN

XMAS IS VERY SACRED IN MANY TOWNS OF STATE

By RUSSELL LANDSTROM

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Christmas in Pennsylvania is not all spending, feasting and having fun.

It is the hush of the cathedral as well as the hubbub of the marketplace.

It is of the spirit as well as the flesh.

It is a vast stained glass window, rich in detail, simple yet majestic, human but much more than that, too, all reflecting to a distressed world the faith, the hopes, the good will, the bewilderment of millions.

Even the ungodly are touched, if ever so faintly, by something in the greater, finer meaning of this time.

More and more since the last war ended, cities and towns have sought to give their Christmas observances a dominant spiritual character. The theme is religious, but not sectarian. Churches, schools, community organizations join in the undertakings.

"Christ In Christmas"

One of the pioneers in this dedication is the City of Reading. Expressing its sentiments in a motto, "Put Christ Back Into Christmas," Reading has for several years sponsored a Christmas parade, stripped of everything with a commercial aspect. Many floats are entered in these parades, but each has a sacred motif. Music, instrumental as well as the carols, are chosen according to the same standards.

Allentown also had a religious parade—on Dec. 16—with 80 floats telling the Christmas story in pantomime and tableaux. A city-wide observance, it was under the auspices of the Allentown Ministerial League and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The city's West Park was transformed for the season. Suitably lighted it made a rendezvous for carolers. Principal attention throughout is being focused on a life-size nativity scene.

No Carnival Atmosphere

Pennsylvania's Christmas City—Bethlehem—did much this year to eliminate the carnival atmosphere of Christmas. The seven-mile-long string of many hued street lights is gone. But above the city on a hill a star of lights shines and a majestic Christmas tree guards the bridge over the Lehigh River.

A tableau, depicting the founding of Bethlehem as well as the Christmas story, has been mounted on a trailer-truck and each day before Christmas the scene is taken to various parts of the community, accompanied by choirs from the city's churches.

Then on Christmas Eve the famous community candlelight service at the Moravian Church will be held as usual at 5:30 and again at 7:30.

Altoona residents are disappointed over what they consider the barrenness of this year's civic observance. They have been assured, however, that it will be different in 1953.

The Altoona-Blair County Ministerial Association and the Altoona Junior Chamber of Commerce, in joint action, announced that plans already are being made for a Christmas parade "which will be truly representative of the festival of the birth of Christ."

The action is reported to have been prompted by a decision of the retail division of the Altoona Chamber of Commerce not to put up the usual holiday decorations in the business district this year. The reason—lack of money. A Santa parade early in the month fell far short of satisfying the wishes of the people.

As in other years, the Mt. Hope Methodist Church of Village Green, Delaware County, is presenting the living nativity on the church lawn. More than 100 are in the cast of the production, which started Dec. 20 and will continue through Dec. 27, from 7 to 10 p.m., daily.

Berwick lighted its Christmas boulevard more than two weeks ago—14 blocks of the residential section elaborately decorated, the themes varies but none of them commercial.

Everywhere in the state, children and their elders are pitching in to help others. Boys and girls in Philadelphia raised nearly $400 to send to the young in Korea. The Rotary Club in Allentown gave a children's party of a different kind—Santa Claus arrived with an empty pack, but left with it filled with nonperishable foods the children had taken along to be turned over to the Salvation Army for distribution among the needy.

Veterans organizations, lodges, naval units in Philadelphia sought out children of poor families and entertained them munificently. Two Marine Corps reserve battalions collected more than eight truckloads of toys. A Veterans of Foreign Wars group gave $1,200 worth of gifts to the 400 men and 28 women patients at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Coatesville.

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with other matters over the Christmas season. The Star of 1877 reported that the new invention the "telephone" was finally being put to some valuable use in a prison in New Jersey and that people could communicate from the prison to the farm," a distance of over two miles." By 1902, at the borough council meeting here, early in December Allan Plank appeared before council "as a representative of the Fire Company to urge the necessity of placing a telephone in the Engine House to be used in case of fire, so as to save valuable time in locating fires when alarms are given."

Christmas in 1902 was of the "old-fashioned" variety, with a pre-Christmas snow closing the roads for several days before the holiday, and remaining to cover the ground on Christmas day.

The Star and Sentinel wrote of Christmas day, 1902: "Christmas was a quiet day in Gettysburg. Most of our people spent the day enjoying home comforts. Gifts were exchanged and trees adorned homes where there were children. A few of our people left town and enjoyed turkey with friends.

Band Serenades Town

"In the afternoon a little stir was created by the Grand Army Band serenading the different hotels of the town. There were no free drinks given at the hotels, as has usually been the case, and for this our landlords are to be congratulated. Business was so dull that one of the leading bars of the town closed early in the evening.

"The ground being covered with snow and the atmosphere very chilly made it an old-time ideal Christmas. The services in the churches were well attended."

One danger of Christmas 50 years ago was revealed in a story appearing in the Sentinel. "Last Wednesday evening, as William Long, employed by George F. Young, was in the act of lighting the gas in the western show window of Mr. Young's store the handsome Christmas trimmings were accidentally ignited and immediately the whole window seemed to be on fire. By good judgment and quick work the fire was quenched and with the exception of the window being blackened and one side glass cracked little damage was done."

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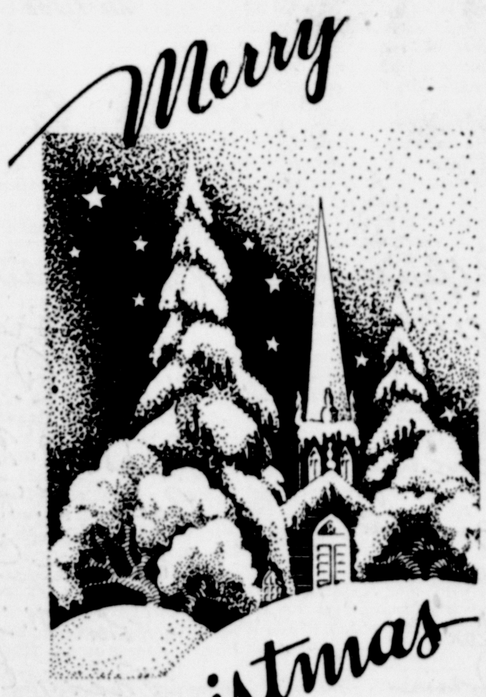


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